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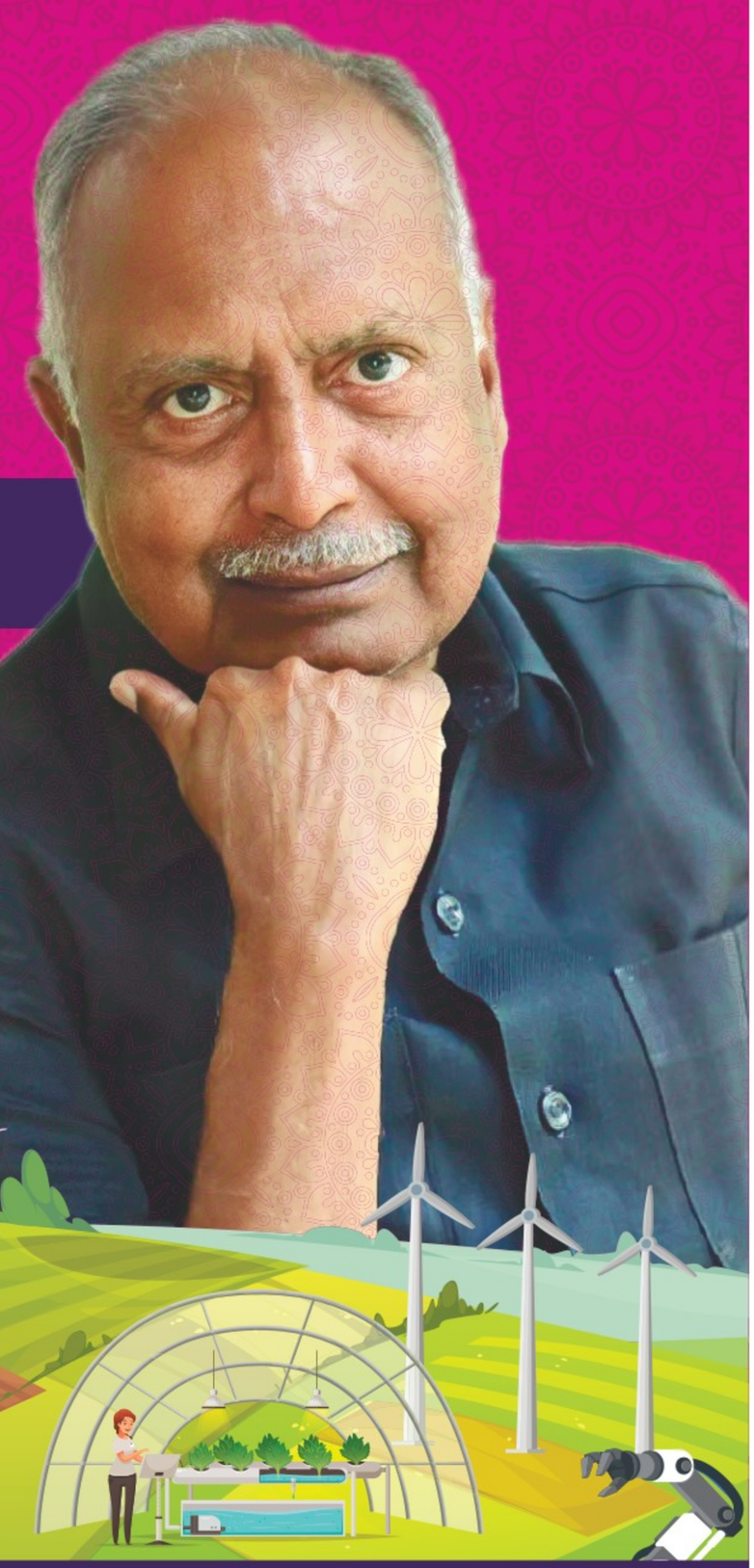

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Retail inflation cools to 6.77% in October from 7.41% in September

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

India's retail inflation cooled to 6.77% in October from 7.41% in September, slipping below the 7% mark for the first time in three months and only the second time since April's eight-year high mark of 7.8%.

This is the 10th month in a row that inflation has been over the 6% upper tolerance threshold mandated for the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). The last time consumer price inflation was below the 7% mark was in July, at 6.71%.

Economists expect the central bank's Monetary Policy Committee, which earlier this month deliberated on explaining to the government its inability to meet the inflation target for three successive quarters, to continue increasing interest rates in December, but at a lower pace than the 50-basis point ((100 basis points equal one percentage point) increases seen in its last three reviews. .

Rural consumers continued to face 7% inflation in October, slightly lower than the 7.6% in September, while urban India consumers' price rise eased to 6.5% from 7.3% in the previous month.

Inflation measured by the Consumer Food Price Index moderated from 8.6% in September to 7% in October, but rural households faced 7.3% inflation while the same rate was 6.5% for their urban counterparts.

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Cooling down

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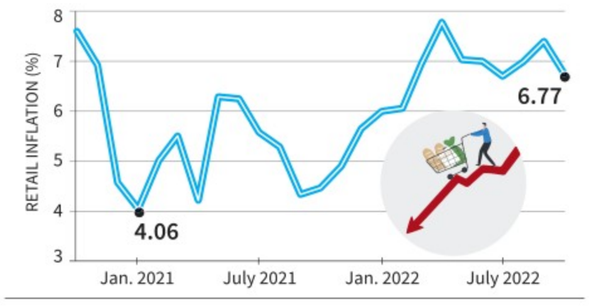

Atomic energy, hydrogen power India's net zero plan

India announces long-term strategy at COP-27. It will help the nation be carbon neutral by 2070, a commitment made by Prime Minister at Glasgow last year, says Environment Minister

Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

At the United Nations Conference of Parties (COP) in Sharm el-Sheikh, India on Monday announced its long-term strategy to transition to a "low emissions" pathway, which is premised on expanding its nuclear power capacity by at least three-fold in the next decade, apart from becoming an international hub for producing green hydrogen and increasing the proportion of ethanol in petrol.

Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav said these steps were consonant with India's "five-decade journey" to net zero, or being carbon neutral by 2070 – a commitment made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Glasgow, where the 26th COP was held last year.

While 195 member countries, signatories to the UN climate agreements, were obliged to submit the long-term document by 2022, only 57 – India is the latest addition – have done so. "The LT-LEDS (Long Term-Low Emission Development Strategy) has been prepared in the framework of India's right to an equitable and fair share of the global carbon budget. We have ensured that the strategy emphasises energy security, energy access, and employment, while keeping focus on our vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat," Mr. Yadav said. "The journey to net zero is a five-decade-long one and India's vision is therefore evolutionary and flexible, accommodating new technological developments and developments in the global economy and international cooperation."

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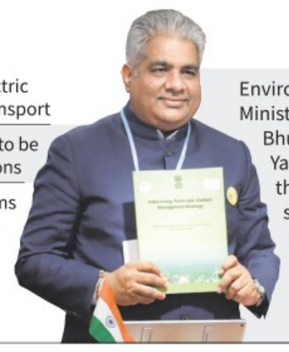
India's road to 'net zero'

At COP-27, India announced its long-term strategy to transition to a 'low emissions' pathway to become carbon neutral by 2070

KEY MILESTONES

- The National Hydrogen Mission, launched in 2021, aims to make India a green hydrogen hub
- At least a three-fold increase in nuclear capacity by 2032
- Achieving an ethanol blending target of 20% by 2025
- Maximising the use of electric vehicles, increase public transport
- Increased climate finance to be provided by developed nations
- The long-term strategy aims at keeping global temperatures well below 2 degrees Celsius and, ambitiously, 1.5 degrees Celsius by the century-end



Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav at the COP-27 summit in Egypt on Monday. REUTERS

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Saleem back to head traffic management

BENGALURU
The State government has brought back M.A. Saleem, a 1993-batch IPS officer with a track record of innovative traffic management and a PhD degree to back it, to helm traffic in the city. » PAGE 2

Motorist killed while navigating dug-up road

BENGALURU
A 55-year-old two-wheeler rider was killed while navigating a dug-up road in Rajajinagar on Monday. This is the fourth accident reportedly owing to the bad condition of roads since the start of the monsoon, and the ninth since last October. » PAGE 3

Lovely, dark and deep

Gig in the sky: Udhagamandalam town in Nilgiris district of Tamil Nadu shivers under thunderclouds on Monday evening. The northeast monsoon has been active in the State for the past few days. M. SATHYAMOORTHY

SC says forced conversions may affect national security, freedom of religion

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday said religious conversions by means of force, allurement or fraud may "ultimately affect the security of the nation and freedom of religion and conscience of citizens", while directing the Centre to "step in" and clarify what it intends to do to curb compulsory or deceitful religious conversions.

"There may be freedom of religion, but there may not be freedom of religion by forced conversion... This is a very serious issue. Everybody has the right to choose their religion, but not by forced conversion or by giving temptation," a Bench of Justices M.R. Shah and Hima Kohli said.

The court was hearing a petition by advocate Ashwini Upadhyay, which said a special law should be enacted against forced conversions or the act should be incorporated as an offence in the Indian Penal Code. Mr. Upadhyay has alleged "mass conversions" of socially and economically underprivileged people, particularly those belonging to the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes.

The court ordered the Centre to file an affidavit on or before November 22, detailing what actions it proposed to take to curb forced conversions, and scheduling the case for hearing on November 28. It said such conversions were reported more in poor and tribal areas.

'Practice rampant'

Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta, for the Centre, said forced conversions were "rampant" in tribal areas. "Giving of rice, wheat, clothes, etc., etc., can never be a ground for asking a person to change his conscience, or bargain on my fundamental right to religion," he said.

"But the difficulty is, who will file the complaint?... the State concerned may not file also... That is why the Union must step in," Justice Shah said.

"In many cases, the victim would not know he has been the subject matter of a criminal offence... He would say that he was helped," Mr. Mehta intervened.

The court said the Union now had to make "very serious and sincere efforts to stop forced conversions".

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Hike in Nandini milk price by KMF put on hold

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Hours after the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) hiked the price of milk and curd by ₹3 a litre in a bid to provide relief to milk farmers in the State on Monday, the hike was rolled back after a direction from Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. While the current price of ₹37 per litre of toned milk and ₹45 for a kg of curd will remain, the call on increasing the price will be taken after a meeting of the CM with KMF authorities post November 20.

The decision to raise the price by ₹3 was taken by chairman Balachandra Jharkiholi under pressure from the 15 district milk unions that are facing crisis, but Mr. Bommai spoke to him and sought deferring of the change. The new prices were to come into effect from Tuesday.

The latest attempt to hike the consumer price comes nearly three years after the last hike was effected. FILE PHOTO

A statement from the Chief Minister's Office said that the KMF has been directed to defer the price rise, and a decision to this effect would be taken at a meeting to be held after November 20. Mr. Bommai also told presspersons in Sedam that a meeting of officials and milk union representatives will be held before deciding on the hike.

The KMF earlier in a release had said that the entire price rise of ₹3 a litre would be passed on to the milk farmers, who are in distress owing to a steep increase in the input cost, and cattle being affected by Lumpy Skin disease. The hike would have benefitted about a million milk producers - most owning between one and three cows - from whom KMF procures milk. In spite of the hike, the cost of milk would be cheaper in Karnataka compared to the neighbouring States, it had said.

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Bright students Mamata, Suvendu, Shah

Candidates with names of politicians have scored high marks in the West Bengal Teachers' Eligibility Test, prompting lawyers to urge the Calcutta High Court to find out their veracity

Shiv Sahay Singh
KOLKATA

Mamata Banerjee scored 92 marks, while Suvendu Adhikari hit a perfect 100. Dilip Ghosh and Sujan Chakraborty scored 92 each.

As investigation into the recruitment scam in the State picks up pace, a merit list with the names of West Bengal politicians created a flutter on Monday. The list included Amit Shah's name.

A group of lawyers raised the issue before Justice Abhijit Gangopadhyay of the Calcutta High Court, and urged the court to figure out whether these names were of genuine candidates or not. According to the lawyers, the names were on the merit list of the Teachers' Eligibility Test conducted in 2014 by the West Bengal Board of Primary Education which was released recently. The Calcutta High Court is hearing several cases of irregularities in the recruitment scam in the State. Sharing the list of candidates, BJP State president Sukanta Majumdar raised the issue on social media. "This is the level of education and assessment in West Bengal. Corruption is high and education and assessment is poor. Sad state of affairs. When did (will) @MamataOfficial stop playing with life of candidates?," he tweeted.

The Board said the names were of genuine candidates. Gautam Pal, its president, said three candidates were his namesakes and were genuine.

Ms. Banerjee, in an oblique reference to the allegations, said only those who work made mistakes. "Only those who work commit mistakes. Don't we stumble while walking," she said.

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Modi in Bali for G-20 meet, to focus on global issues

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi reached Bali in Indonesia on Monday to participate in the G-20 summit. In a pre-departure statement, Mr. Modi said he would take up issues of "global concern" at the leadership-level summit.

"During the Bali summit, I will have extensive discussions with other G-20 leaders on key issues of global concern, such as reviving global growth, food & energy security, environment, health, and digital transformation," the Prime Minister said.

Mr. Modi is scheduled to be in Indonesia till November 16.

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Sri Lanka takes over debt of state-owned enterprises

1.7 In billion dollars, the amount in loans taken from China, by three key loss-making Sri Lankan state-owned enterprises, to be considered as government debt, President Ranil Wickremesinghe said on Monday. Sri Lanka defaulted on its foreign debt in April. The International Monetary Fund had said that its borrowings must be "sustainable" to unlock any new external funding. AFP

Delayed or missed TB diagnosis in 2020 due to the pandemic

5 In lakh, the number of people in India who are estimated to have had a missed or delayed tuberculosis diagnosis in 2020 due to the disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a study. The researchers found that over 1.5 million people in 45 high-burden countries had a missed or delayed tuberculosis diagnosis in the first year of the pandemic. PTI

Illegal entries into the EU rises during the first 10 months of 2022

73 The % by which unauthorised entries at the European Union's external borders rose in the first 10 months of 2022, the highest level recorded since 2016. In October alone, about 36,500 people crossed the EU borders illegally, 47% more than the year-ago period. This was mainly due to people abusing the region's visa-free access. Reuters

India's October retail inflation eases due to slow rise in food prices

6.77 The % by which India's annual retail inflation eased in October helped by slower rises in food prices and base effect. However, it remains above the central bank's tolerance limit. Food inflation, which accounts for nearly 40% of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) basket, rose 7.01% in October compared to 8.60% in September. Reuters

Turkey promises houses for Syrians displaced by war

1 lakh, the number of houses Turkey vowed to complete in war-torn Syria, as Ankara pushes to settle Syrian refugees who fled more than a decade of fighting ahead of elections. Turkish President Erdogan has said that he wanted to encourage one million of the country's 3.7 million Syrian refugees to return home by building them housing and providing basic infrastructure. AFP

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The significance of the Bali G-20 summit

How important is this summit for the world and for India specifically? Which countries are not attending the gathering? Why and how was the G-20 formed? What does its current make-up say about the economic balance of the world? When is India taking up the G-20 presidency?

EXPLAINER

Suhasini Haidar

The story so far:

On Tuesday, leaders of the G-20 nations will gather at Bali's Nusa Dua resort for the 17th summit of the world's most advanced economies. G-20 countries represent 85% of the global GDP, 75% of global trade and 66% of the world population. While the focus will be on post-pandemic recovery and dealing with energy and food security impacted by the Russian war in Ukraine, much interest will be around which leaders choose to hold bilateral summits on the sidelines. Notable by his absence is Russian President Vladimir Putin, who had earlier accepted Indonesian host President Joko Widodo's invitation, but as the war with Ukraine continues, has sent his Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov to represent Russia.

Make or break: U.S. President Joe Biden and China's President Xi Jinping meet on the sidelines of the G20 Summit in Nusa Dua, Bali on November 14. AFP

What is the agenda of this summit?

The motto for this G-20 is Recover Together, Recover Stronger. President Jokowi has made recovering from the pandemic a major focus despite geopolitical tensions overshadowing the summit. The leaders will engage in discussions over three sessions: on Food and Energy security, Health Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment, and Digital Transformation. In addition, to highlight the concerns over climate change issues, Mr. Jokowi will lead his guests to the Indonesian mangroves of Taman Hutan Raya, which have been restored over a 30-year project covering nearly 700 acres. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is also set to spell out his agenda for the year ahead under India's G-20 presidency, with special focus on the Global South and the problems it is facing due to geopolitical tensions, food and fuel shortages.

What makes this G-20 different from others?

For the world, this is the first G-20 since Russia began the war in Ukraine and the west imposed sanctions on Russia. Efforts will be made to build global consensus over issues that have clearly divided the world. For India, the importance of the summit of the world's most advanced economies is that it is India's turn to host the summit next. Mr. Modi will receive a handover from the Indonesian President Joko Widodo after which India will assume the presidency on December 1. Additionally, this is only the second time Chinese President Xi Jinping has travelled abroad since the COVID pandemic, and the first time since he was re-elected at China's Party Congress last month.

Who all are attending and who is not?

The summit in Bali will be attended by leaders of Argentina, Australia, Canada, China, the European Union, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Turkey, the U.K. and the U.S. Spain is a permanent invitee, and the special invitees this year also include leaders of Cambodia, Fiji, the Netherlands, Rwanda, Senegal, Singapore, Suriname and UAE. In addition, heads of several international agencies like the UN, the IMF, ASEAN, the African Union will attend the 2022 G-20. The Indonesian President has also invited the Ukrainian President to address the summit virtually, while Russian President Putin, and leaders of Mexico and Brazil (which is in a leadership transition), will not attend the summit.

What do we know about the bilateral meetings?

All eyes will also be on the bilateral summits happening by the sidelines – including the Biden-Xi summit, held on Monday at a time when U.S.-China tensions are at a high. While neither Delhi nor Beijing have confirmed a Modi-Xi meeting, any interaction between the two leaders will be the first since the military stand-off at the Line of Actual Control which began in April 2020. Mr. Modi is expected to meet many of the G-20 leaders and others, and will invite them to next year's summit in India.

Why was the G-20 created?

Created in 1999 as an acceptable medium between the more "elitist" G-7 (then the G-8), and the more unwieldy 38-member Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the G-20 was conceived in a more unified, post-Soviet era, when western economies made the rules, China was just on the rise and Russia was still recovering from its breakup. Over the past two decades, the global economic balance has shifted, and the G-20 has been seen as a more representative and egalitarian grouping of global leadership, and was particularly useful in steering the global economy after the global financing crisis and banking collapse of 2008. Significantly, next year the "Troika" of G-20 will be made up of emerging economies for the first time with India, Indonesia and Brazil – an indicator of the shift in the global economic agenda towards the Global South.

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What are the hurdles to building schools for tribals?

Are all the sanctioned schools functional? Why has the Eklavya Model Residential Schools scheme run into technical difficulties over population and land criteria?

Abhinay Lakshman

The story so far:

The Narendra Modi-led government is pushing to set up 740 Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) for tribal students – one each in every sub-district that has at least a 20,000-odd Scheduled Tribe population, which must be 50% of the total population in that area. The government is persisting with its mission despite the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Social Justice and Ministry noting this year that the population criteria was "impractical" and needed an "immediate review".

When was the idea mooted?

The EMRS model was first introduced in 1997-98 to provide quality education to tribal students with residential facilities in remote corners. The aim was to build schools at par with the Jawahar Navoday Vidyalayas and Kendriya Vidyalayas. Until 2018-19, the scheme was overseen by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs with maximum control of identifying new schools, recruiting, management and admissions lying with State governments. While the Union government had sanctioned a certain number of preliminary EMRS, the guideline of the scheme noted that States and Union Territories would be responsible for seeking sanction of new schools as and when they needed it. The funds for these schools were to come from the grants under Article 275(1) and the guidelines mandated that unless States finished constructing the schools sanctioned by the Centre, they would not be entitled to funds for new ones. Apart from the infrastructural requirements of 20-acre plots for each EMRS, the guidelines did not have any criteria of where the EMRS could be set up, leaving it to the discretion of State governments.

When was it revamped?

In 2018-19, at the bidding of Mr. Modi, the Cabinet approved the revamping of the EMRS scheme. The new guidelines gave the Union government more power to sanction schools and manage them. A National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) was set up and entrusted with the management of the State Education Society for Tribal Students (SESTS), which would run the EMRS on the ground.

The new guidelines set a target of setting up an EMRS in every tribal sub-district and introduced a "population criteria" for setting them up. The new guidelines also reduced the minimum land requirement from 20 acres to 15 acres. Since the new scheme was put into place, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs sanctioned 332 of the targetted 452 schools till 2021-22. However, the Standing Committee in its report noted that a large number of schools were being delayed because the area (15 acre) requirement and the population criteria were making identification and acquisition of land "more cumbersome", especially in hilly areas, leftwing extremism-affected areas and the northeast. It noted that even though the new guidelines provided for relaxations in these areas, other problems with land acquisition continued to persist. The Standing Committee noted that the population criteria ran the risk of depriving a "scattered tribal population" of the benefit of EMRS, "which are a means towards their educational empowerment".

What is the current status?

The Tribal Affairs Ministry insists on maintaining the new criteria. Ministry officials said that as of November, a total of 688 schools have been sanctioned, of which 392 are functional. Of the 688, 230 have completed construction and 234 are under construction, with 32 schools still stuck due to land acquisition issues. As for serving less dense tribal populations, Minister of Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda said that the government will take care of it after the targetted 740 schools under these criteria are built.

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KSRTC signs agreements to provide individual ₹1 crore accident cover for employees

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The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation has signed the agreements with the State Bank of India and the United India Insurance. FILE PHOTO

The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) has signed agreements with the State Bank of India (SBI) and the United India Insurance to provide individual ₹1 crore accident insurance cover to its employees.

In a release, the KSRTC said as per the agreement reached with SBI, ₹50 lakh insurance will be provided when the employee dies or is severely injured in accidents (both on duty and off duty accidents). This insurance cover has been provided without the payment of the premium amount by the employee. On Monday, the KSRTC reached an agreement with United India Insurance to provide another ₹50 lakh accident insurance cover, which will cost an annual premium of ₹885.

In the case of death, nominees will receive the insurance money. An employee will also get insurance of ₹50 lakh even when he or she gets severely injured in accidents.

The KSRTC claims that it is the first corporation in the country to provide accident cover of ₹1 crore.

M.A. Saleem brought back to head traffic management

To accommodate him, the post of the Bengaluru City Traffic Police Chief has been upgraded to Additional Director-General of Police rank, to which even the City Police Commissioner belongs

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

With an aim to rehaul and professionalise traffic management in the city, the State government has brought back M.A. Saleem, a 1993-batch IPS officer with a track record of innovative traffic management and a PhD degree to back it, to helm traffic in the city.

Following recent complaints by several industrialists and investors of the crippling traffic in the city even during Invest Karnataka 2022, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who also holds charge of Bengaluru Development, had recently said that easing traffic congestion in the city was his government's top priority.

M.A. Saleem

Sources said the Chief Minister was keen on bringing back Dr. Saleem to head traffic management in the city.

To accommodate Dr. Saleem, the post of the Bengaluru City Traffic Police Chief has been upgraded to Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) rank, to which even the City Police Commissioner belongs.

In a newly created post, M.N. Anucheth has been posted as Joint Commissioner, Bengaluru City Traffic Police, to assist Dr. Saleem.

Dr. Saleem is known to be one of the rare officers passionate about traffic management and has had one of the longest stints managing traffic in Bengaluru in various capacities.

His passion for traffic management was such that he went on to get a PhD on 'Traffic management in metropolitan cities: A framework to provide sustainable strategies to overcome traffic congestion and ensure greater safety on road', from Bangalore University in 2010.

During his stint managing city traffic, he rehauled and streamlined traffic management in the city, which started adapting technology with the B-TRAC project under M.N. Reddi.

Dr. Saleem was once called 'one way Saleem', as he introduced one ways on 122 key roads and several junction improvement programmes, streamlining traffic flow without congestion after a scientific study across the city.

He is credited with several new initiatives when he was at the helm of traffic management in the city: safe routes to schools initiative, local area traffic management committees, and public eye for better participation of public, establishing automation enforcement centre, and auto drivers display cards in the city.

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In the matter of scheme of amalgamation of Apex Dealtrade Private Limited (Transferor Co. 1), Karnataka Plywood Private Limited (Transferor Co. 2), Royal Plylam Private Limited (Transferor Co. 3), Swastik Financial Advisory Private Limited (Transferor Co. 4) And Vinayak Investment Consultants Private Limited (Transferor Co. 5) With Orchid Laminates Private Limited (Transferee Co), And Their Respective Shareholders And Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that by an order dated **19 th October 2022,** Bengaluru Bench of the National Company Law Tribunal has directed to convene the meeting of the Secured Creditors of Transferee Company and Unsecured Creditors of the Transferee Company for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving with or without modification the Scheme of Amalgamation proposed to be made among Transferor Companies and Transferee Company and their respective Shareholders and Creditors.

In pursuance of the said order and as directed therein further notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Secured Creditors of Orchid Laminates Private Limited shall be held on **Friday, the 16 th day of December, 2022 at 11:00 AM** through video conferencing mode as ordered by **NCLT Bengaluru Bench vide order dated 19 th October 2022 in CA (CAA) No. 45/BB/2022.**

Link for attending Meeting of Secured Creditors through video conferencing mode: https://emeetings.kfintech.com

Further, In pursuance of the said order and as directed therein further notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Unsecured Creditors of Orchid Laminates Private Limited shall be held on **Friday, the 16 th day of December, 2022 at 12:00 PM** through video conferencing mode as ordered by NCLT Bengaluru Bench vide order dated **19 th October 2022 in CA (CAA) No. 45/BB/2022.**

Link for attending Meeting of Unsecured Creditors through video conferencing mode: https://emeetings.kfintech.com

Further, In pursuance of the said order and as directed therein further notice is hereby given that the meetings of Equity Shareholders of all the Applicant companies and Secured and Unsecured creditors meetings of Transferor Co. No. 1, 2, 3,4 and 5 are **dispensed** with.

Copies of the said Scheme of Amalgamation, the statement under Section 230 and the form of proxy can be obtained free of charge at the Registered Office of the company at No. 89, COMMERCIAL STREET BANGALORE- 560001.

The Tribunal has appointed **Shri. S. R. Tejas, Advocate,** as Chairman of the said Meetings for the Transferee Company. The above mentioned Scheme of Amalgamation if approved at the meeting will be subject to the subsequent approval of the Tribunal.

Dated this 9 th day of November 2022 at Bengaluru.

Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Apex Dealtrade Private Limited
Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Royal Plylam Private Limited
Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Vinayak Investment Consultants Private Limited

Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Karnataka Plywood Private Limited
Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Swastik Advisory Private Limited
Sd/-
Authorised Signatory of the Orchid Laminates Private Limited

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919
No. KPCL/2022-23/PM/WORK_INDENT 12794/CALL-3 Dated: 08.11.2022

ABSTRACT TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (Through e-procurement portal only)

Tender is published in GoK e-Portal **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for the work of **Supply, Erection, Testing and commissioning and Calibration of 03 Nos. Radar Level Transmitters for MOT Level Measurement at RTPS- Unit #7**. Last date for receipt of tender: **19.11.2022 up to 17.00 Hrs**. Opening of Technical Bid: **21.11.2022 at 17.00 Hrs.** Opening of Price Bid: **23.11.2022 at 17.00 Hrs.** All the relevant details of the bids are available in the above mentioned e-portal. Further details can be obtained from the office of the **Executive Engineer (I-4)**, RTPS, KPCL, Shathinagar-584 170. Raichur Dist.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Office of the EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION, DHARWAD.

Invitation for Pre-qualifiacation

Reg : This office tender Notification No. 34/2022-23
Dated : 10/11/2022.

(1) The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Division, Dharwad, intends to Pre-qualify contractors as an individual/firm/company/Joint-Venture for the work of "**FILLING OF MI/ZP TANKS OF SAMASAGI AND OTHER SURROUNDING VILLAGES BY LIFTING WATER FROM VARADA RIVER IN HANGAL TALUK, HAVERI DISTRICT**" Pre-qualification will be conducted through pre-qualification procedures specified in Paragraph 27 of the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000 and is open to all eligible tenderers. (2) Interested eligible tenderers may obtain further information from and inspect the pre-qualification documents downloaded from Govermnment of Karnataka e-procurement website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Portal.
(1) PERIOD OF DOWNLOADING OF PQ DOCUMENT : **15/11/2022 to 01/12/2022** at 17.30 pm (2) LAST DATE AND TIME FOR RECEIPT OFPQ APPLICATIONS : **01/12/2022** at 17.30 pm (3) TIME AND DATE OF OPENING OF PQ APPLICATIONS : **02/12/2022** at 17.45 pm (4) Pre-Bid Meeting Place,Date and Time Details : O/o EXECUTIVE ENGINEER M.I & G.W.D. DIVISION,DHARWAD : **23/11/2022** at 11.00 am Phone No: **0836-2448310**
email: **eemidivdwd@yahoo.com, midn_dwd@rediffmail.com**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/HVR/MC&A/368/2022-23 **M.I. & G. W. D. Division, Dharwad**

GOVERNEMENT OF KARANTAKA
DISTRICT HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT, BALLARI.
DISTRICT SURVEILLANCE UNIT, BALLARI
O/o The District Surveillance Officer, District Hospital Premises, Dr.Rajkumar, Road, Ballari-583101. Contact No. +91 80501 34236 / e-Mail ID: dsubellary@gmail.com
No.DSOB/EQUIPS&LABLOGIS&CONSUM/RC/VHC/03/2022-23. Date 10.11.2022.

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

E-Tender is invited from eligible bidders for **SUPPLY OF EQUIPMENTS, LAB LOGISTICS & CONSUMABLES TO VARIOUS HEALTH INSTITUIONS OF DH&FWS, BALLARI UNDER NFDS FUND** in a two cover bid system the details of the same can be viewed from e-procurement portal of government of Karnataka. http://e-proc.karnataka.gov.in. Last date and time for receipt of E-tender is on Dated: 24-11-2022 at 17:00 PM Tender Amount is **Rs.186.00 Lakhs, Samples Submission last date 24.11.2022 @ 13.30 PM e-Portal INDENT No. 5984.**

Sd/- Dist Surveillance Officer, DH&FWS, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/634/MCA/2022-23

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES, KARNATAKA
4th 'T' Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru – 560 041.
Ph No.080-26961928 Fax-080-26961929
No.RGU/PROC/Cleaning.M/47/2022-23 Date: 14/11/2022

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (RFP)

The Registrar Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences invites tender for Supply of Cleaning Materials for House Keeping to RGUHS. More Details on the service are provided in the attached Terms of Reference.

Tender document available for downloaded	14/11/2022 10:30:00 Hrs
Pre Bid meeting	18/11/2022 11:00 Hrs
Last date for receipt of Tender	23/11/2022 17:15 Hrs
Opening of Technical Bid	25/11/2022 17:30 Hrs
Place of Opening of Tender	Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru

More details can be fetched from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

DIPR/3081/2022-23 **Sd/- REGISTRAR**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works.

NO. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/ F- /22-23/ 7658-60 Date: 14.11.2022

1) Bid Enquiry No. : KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/ EE(O)/ AEE-1/2021-22/EPR-10/CALL-12 Dtd: 11.10.2021 in combined for the following works:
1) Replacement of damaged, deteriorated conductor of 220KV Somanahalli-Yarandanahalli and 220kV Somanahalli - Subramanyapura line at Kulumepalya in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.
2) Providing Intermediate Tower to increase the vertical clearance of the existing 220kV Hoody-BIAL S/C line between Tower No. 44 and 45 near Yarappanahally village Kadagrahara limits, TLM Hoody on Total turnkey basis.
3) Estimate for providing Double string Insulator in 220kV Tatguni - Vrushabavathi line passing Pipeline & Nice road near Ayurvedic Hospital which is identified as hazordous location, in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.
4) Estimate for providing Double string Insulator in 220kV Khodays-Subramanyapura & 220kV Subramanyapura-Peenya lines(DC) are passing Pipeline at Gubbalala which is identified as hazordous location, in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.
5) Increasing the vertical clearance of existing 220kV Somanahalli-HSR and Somanahalli-Naganthapura line at Basavanapura, near Abhaya Laksmi Narasimha temple by erecting new 220kV DB+6 NRS-Laggere design type tower by replacing the existing 220kV DC A type tower in the jurisdiction of TLM Somanahalli.
6) Increasing the vertical clearance of existing 220kV Somanahalli-HSR and Somanahalli-Naganthapura line at Begur to koppa road near Mylasandra dinne, by erecting new 'DA+9" 220 DC 'A' Tower Gadag- Bagalakote design type tower by replacing existing ' DA+0' type tower, in the jurisdiction of TLM Subdivision Somanahalli.

TENDER NOTIFICATION

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/ F- /22-23/7665-67 Date: 14.11.2022

2) Bid Enquiry No. : KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/ BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/2022-23/EPR-43/CALL-2 Dated 12.09.2022 for increasing the vertical clearance of existing 66kV Hebbal-ITI line crossing the existing Broad Guage Railway Track @km:3/800-900 between Channasandra-Yelahanka Railway stations in TLM Subdivision Hoody.

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/ F-130/22-23/7672-73 Date:14.11.2022

3) Bid Enquiry No. : KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/22-23/EPR-17/CALL-04 Dated:30.04.2022 for the work of replacement of old 4 pole structure by 1 Number of 66kV NBT (KPTCL design) for the existing 66kV HAL-ADUGODI line 1&2 lines infront of Chi.Udayashankar children park, ward No.88, Jeevan Bheema Nagar Main Road, TLM Hoody on total turnkey basis.

The Bids will be received through E-procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink 'eProcurement-KPTCL' or to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **15.11.2022.** Further details can be obtained from office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele), Transmission (Maintenance), BMAZ South Circle, KPTCL, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru-560 009, Tele-Fax: 080-22386686/85

ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ–ಹರಿಹರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ
ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ.ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸು ಬಡಾವಣೆ, 'ಎ' ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, ಪಿ.ಬಿ.ರಸ್ತೆ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ–06
ನಂ:ದಾಹನಪ್ರಾ:ತಾಶಾ:ಕಿಆ:ಇಪ್ರ:ಟೆಂಪ್ರ:08:2022–23 ದಿನಾಂಕ:09–11–2022.

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ–2ನೇ ಕರೆ
(ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ–ಹರಿಹರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುವ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಿಂದ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹ ಹಾಗೂ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿಸಿಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. **ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು:–** ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ ನಗರದ ಬೀರೂರು–ಸಮ್ಮಸಗಿ ರಸ್ತೆಯ ಡಿ.ಸಿ.ಎಂ ಟೌನ್ ಶಿಪ್ ನಿಂದ ಗಣಪತಿ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನದವರೆಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆಯ ಮಧ್ಯದ ವಿಭಜಕದ ಅಲಂಕಾರಿಕ ಕೋನಿಕಲ್ ದಿಪಗಳನ್ನು ಅಳವಡಿಸುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ. (2ನೇ ಕರೆ) **ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ:–**179.00, **ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗೆ ಇಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ:–**152.98. **ಮುಂಗಡ ಹಣ ಠೇವಣಿ (ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.) ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ:– 2,30,000–00 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು : (1)** ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಿಂದ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. **(2)** Last date & time for tender queries / clarifications 16-11-2022 upto 17.30 Hrs **(3)** Pre Bid Meeting 18-11-2022 at 12.00 Hrs **(4)** Last date and time for receipt of tender 25-11-2022 upto 16.00 Hrs **(5)** Date & time for opening of (Technical bids) 28-11-2022 at 11.00 Hrs. **(6)** Date & time for opening of (Financial bids) 30-11-2022 at 11.00Hrs
ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸದ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ವಾಸಾಇ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/601/ಎಂಸಿಎ/2022–23

ಸಹಿ/– ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ದಾ–ಹ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

Public Notice

Our client intends to purchase the immovable properties mentioned in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the "Schedule Property" along with all fixed assets and the structures, if any, standing thereon from **(1) Sri. Krishna Reddy. P** who claims to be the owner of Item No.1 of the Schedule, **(2) Smt. Sunitha Pavan** who claims to be owner of Item No.2 of the Schedule and **(3) Smt. Anitha Krishna** who claims to be owner of Item No, 3 of the Schedule.
Any person having any claims, rights, title, or interests in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof including by way of sale, conveyance, assignment, transfer, exchange, gift, mortgage, lien, lease, sub-lease, tenancy, trust, maintenance, inheritance, possession, share, license or a claim in the nature of a dispute, suit, decree, other restrictive covenants, order of injunction, hypothecation, charge, attachment, requisition, acquisition, easement, encumbrance, covenant right of prescription or pre-emption or under any Agreement or other disposition or otherwise claiming howsoever, are hereby requested to make the same known in writing along with notarised/supporting documentary evidence to the undersigned within a period of 10 (Ten) days from the date of publication hereof, failing which the claims of such person/s will be deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ITEM NO.1: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing survey No. 62/3 (old No.62), measuring to an extent of 11 Guntas (Eleven Guntas), situated at Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded East by: Land bearing Sy.No.60; West by: Land bearing Sy.No.62/6 (old No.62/3); North by: Land bearing Sy.No.61; and South by: Kanchamaranahalli Village Boundary.
ITEM NO.2: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing survey No. 62/6 (old No.62/3), measuring to an extent of 35 Guntas (Thirty Guntas) plus 05 Guntas of B Kharab Land, situated at Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded East by: Land bearing Sy.No.62/3; West by: Land bearing Sy.No.62/7 (old No.62/3); North by: Land bearing Sy.No.61; and South by: Kanchamaranahalli Village Boundary.
ITEM NO.3: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing survey No. 62/7 (old No.62/3), measuring to an extent of 1 Acre (One Acre) plus 01 Gunta of B Kharab Land, situated at Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded East by: Land bearing Sy.No.62/6 (old No.62/3): West by: Land bearing Sy.No.62/2; North by: Land bearing Sy.No.61; and South by: Kanchamaranahalli Village Boundary.

Sd/- G.V.Balasubramanya
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CHANGE OF NAME

I, SRIVALLI Sree Sheila, W/O. Sree Sheila Nagarajarao, R/O: No 71,1st Main Rd,Chunchanaghatta Main Rd, Renukambanagar, Doddakallasandra, Blr–62, KN., have changed name to Srivalli vide afdvt dtd 03/11/22

I, Priya Eshwarayya W/o Eshwarayya C Math R/o No.96, 9th Cross, 8th Main, 6th Phase, 1st Stage, Mahaganapathi Nagar, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010 have changed my name to Priya Halkurke Rajashekar for all purposes.

I, NAYEEM Ahmed Habeeb Khan S/o Habeebulla Khan residing at No.40/1, Fruit Street, Bharatinagar, Bengaluru-560001 Karnataka have changed my name to Nayeem Ahmed vide affidavit dated 12-11-2022 before Meer Hassan Notary Bengaluru.

PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Eshwarayya S/o Chandrashekharayya R/o No.96, 9th Cross, 8th Main, 6th Phase, 1st Stage, Mahaganapathi Nagar, Rajaji nagar, B'luru -560010 have changed my name to Eshwarayya Chandrashekharayya Math for all purposes.

I, Eshwarayya C Math R/o No.96, 9th Cross, 8th Main, 6th Phase, 1st Stage, Mahaganapathi Nagar, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560010 have changed my minor daughter's name from Anwitha Math to Anwitha Eshwarayya Math for all purposes.

I, MOHAMED Rafiq Mohammed Fairoz S/o Mohamed Rafiq residing at No.406, 2nd Main, BDA Domlur Bengaluru-560071 Karnataka have changed my name to Mohammed Fairoz vide affidavit dated 12-11-2022 before Meer Hassan Notary Bengaluru.

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PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, FAIZA Kulsum S/o Ziaulla Khan residing at No.36, 1st Main 1st Cross, M.V. Layout, Shampura, Bengaluru-560045 Karnataka have changed my name to Faiza Kulsum Zia vide affidavit dated 12-11-2022 before Notary C V Earappa Notary Bengaluru.

I, SYED Imran Ahmed Syed Ahmed S/o Syed Irshad Ahmed residing at No. 105, 7th Cross, Wiliams Town Extension, Bengaluru-560046 Karnataka have changed my name to Syed Imran Ahmed vide affidavit dated 12-11-2022 before C V Earappa Notary Bengaluru.

I, GRISHMA Rajendra Kumar Mehta W/o Kunal Yashwanth Shah residing at No.18, 4th Main, Subramanyam Temple Street, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-560020 Karnataka have changed my name to Grishma Shah vide affidavit dated 12-11-2022 before C V Earappa Notary Bengaluru.

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Notice is hereby given that the Certificate for the undermentioned securities of the company has been lost/ misplaced and the holders of the said securities have applied to the company to issue duplicate certificate.
Any person who has a claim in respect to the said securities should lodge such claim with the company at its Registered Office within 15 days from this date, else the company will proceed to issue duplicate certificate without further intimation.

Name of the Holder: Koshy Thomas
Kind of Securities: Equity shares of face value Rs.10/share
No. of Securities: 100
Folio No: EXK0000180
Distinctive numbers: 32203984 to 32204083

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 15.11.2022

LEGAL NOTICE

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING ATTENDANCE OF DEFENDANT (ORDER 5, rule 20 of the Code of Civil Procedure)
In the court of Ms. Chitranshi Arora
Civil Judge-02 (South East)
Room No. 8, Ground Floor, Saket Court Complex, New Delhi
CS SCJ/281/2021
Global Opportunities Pvt Ltd.
Versus
Daisan Parathottil Thankachan
To,
Daisan Parathottil Thankachan
S/o Thankachan
P-37, Janani, 6th Main, LIC Colony, Sector-10, HAL 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560075

WHEREAS you are intentionally evading service of summons it is hereby notified that if you shall not defend the case on the **16-11-2022** the day fixed for the final disposal, it will be heard and determined ex-parte.
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the court, this 13-10-2022. Sd/
Civil Judge-02 (South East)
Seal Saket Court Complex, New Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that my client MR Moudu Abdul Majid intend to Purchase the property #7/1, bearing PID 86-1-7/1, from MR Abu Sahal GP holder for Late MR SM Abubakar and all legal heirs residing in 1/1 Spencer Road Frazer Town Bangalore 560005
Any person including legal heirs, having any claim, right, title, interest or objections over the said property shall inform the undersigned in writing with supporting proof within a period of 14 days from the date of this publication of this notice failing to which any such claim by anyone shall not be considered. -48/2Davis Road Richards Town, Blr-84
Nabila Parveen
Advocate, BA, LLB

TENDERS

THE INSTITUTE OF Company Secretaries of India
भारतीय कम्पनी सचिव संस्थान
IN PURSUIT OF PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE
Statutory body under an Act of Parliament
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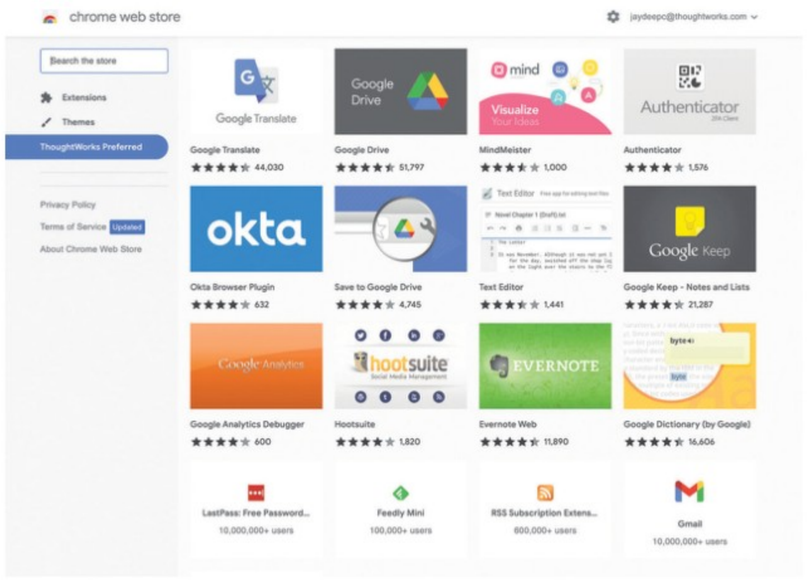
TOOLBOX

Browser extensions to supercharge your productivity

Five google chrome extensions which will make your work that much easier

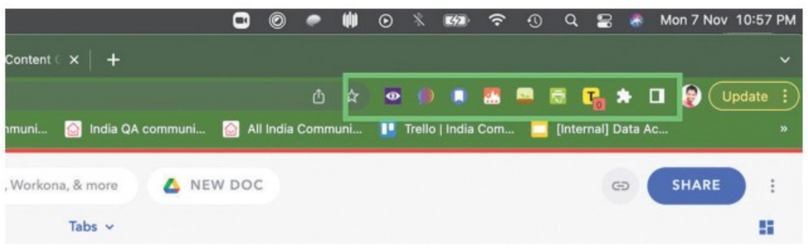
In today's day and age, the internet is the main source of all information with browsers providing easy and convenient access to it. It does not matter what profession one is engaged in, everyone must have interacted with the internet to exchange information one way or the other. Google chrome is one such browser which is vastly used and is globally popular. You might know that all modern browsers come with their own marketplace (just like the App store for Apple or the Play Store for Android), where you can find a bunch of extensions that enhance your browsing experience. They help you increase productivity and daily work by enhancing reusability and automation. This article will list out five very useful extensions which can be used through the Google chrome browser. In case you use a different browser, you might find similar extensions with different names. By **Jaydeep Chakrabarty**



The Chrome web store (marketplace)

Chrome extensions

A chrome extension is a type of plug-in that adds new features to Google Chrome. Chrome extensions are written in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. They can modify the behavior of the browser and add new features to it. These extensions are typically hosted on the Chrome Web Store and downloaded by users to their local machine from there.



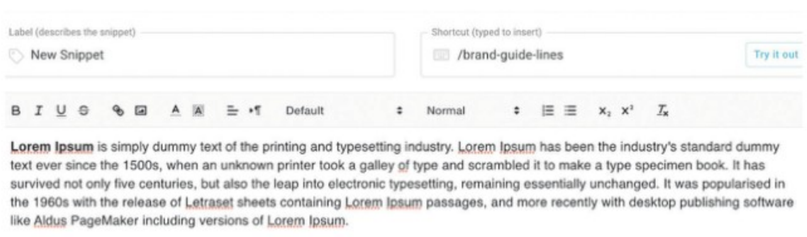
Extension shortcuts in the right-hand side corner of chrome

To access these extensions, just open chrome, and type: chrome.google.com/webstore. This will open the chrome web store where you can search and access the below mentioned (or any other) extensions. Let us now look at five google chrome extensions which are bound to increase productivity.

Text Blaze

The Text Blaze extension helps you create shortcuts and avoid repetitive writing. Bloggers, journalists, and professionals involved in copywriting can use it quite actively.

Through this extension, you can set up some one word tags for a set of texts that you use regularly.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New Snippet
Shortcut (typed to insert)
/brand-guide-lines
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Lorem Ipsum is simply dummy text of the printing and typesetting industry. Lorem Ipsum has been the industry's standard dummy text ever since the 1500s, when an unknown printer took a galley of type and scrambled it to make a type specimen book. It has survived not only five centuries, but also the leap into electronic typesetting, remaining essentially unchanged. It was popularised in the 1960s with the release of Letraset sheets containing Lorem Ipsum passages, and more recently with desktop publishing software like Aldus PageMaker including versions of Lorem Ipsum.

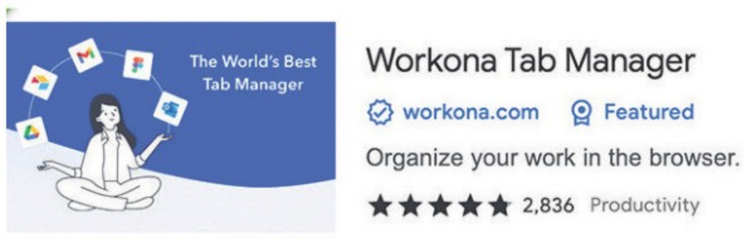
Setting tags in Text Blaze

For example, let us say that someone is asking you for "The brand guidelines" in a chat or an email that is opened on Google Chrome. With this extension, all you need to do is type: /brand-guide-lines, and it will immediately replace the text from your setup. You can have multiple such tags and thus, automate your tasks.

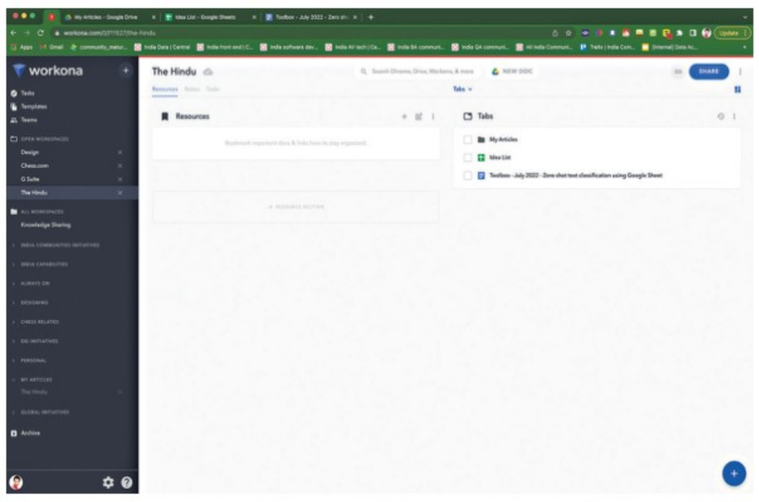
Website : https://blaze.today/

Workona

If you are a researcher or a student who has a deadline, you might just have almost 40-50 tabs open at the same time which results in general confusion and chaos. You wouldn't know which tab had something that you wanted to quickly refer to.



The Workona extension helps in managing these tabs for you by creating different workspaces. Workspaces are a new way of organising your tabs to help you focus on the task at hand. You can create a workspace for each project, and only the current workspace tabs will be visible. You can create various workspaces like "School", "Assignments", "Learning" etc and quickly spread your tabs accordingly. It also gives you the flexibility to quickly move a tab from one workspace to another.



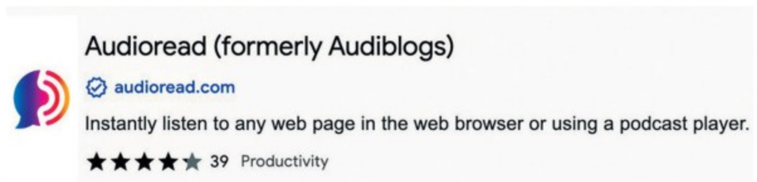
How Workona looks after setting up

It also gives you the option to bookmark a few pages and keep them in your respective workspaces for better accessibility.

Website: https://workona.com/tab-manager/

Audioread

This is yet another useful extension which can help you utilise time lost due to traffic or waiting for the bus.

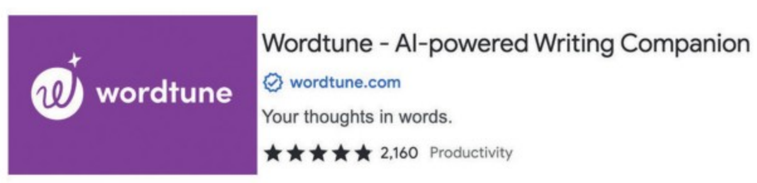

Audioread (formerly Audiblogs)
audioread.com
Instantly listen to any web page in the web browser or using a podcast player.
39 Productivity

Using this extension, one can read something important (an interesting news article or journal page) off a webpage, with just one click. If one adds the particular webpage to Audioread, it converts the entire web page into a podcast-content form and reads it back to us. One can access them through the podcast app that comes with Android or Apple. Also, this is not just another screen reader. Audioread adds an AI voice reader, which uses proper punctuations to make the audio more realistic. It also helps one to not strain the eyes by constantly looking at a screen.

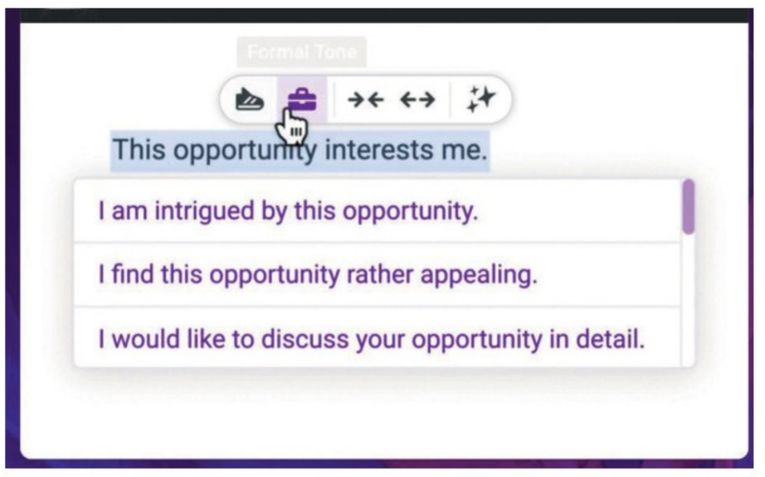
Website: https://audioread.com/

Wordtune

The Wordtune extension helps one to quickly re-word a section of an email or a social media post.



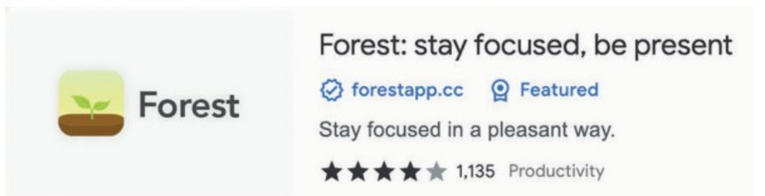
Whenever we feel that one sentence can be better worded, all we have to do is select the text and click Wordtune's icon. The AI is then able to come up with another line that sounds more interesting. It also gives you options from where you can choose which one sounds better. It is both productive and time efficient.


Formal Tone
This opportunity interests me.
I am intrigued by this opportunity.
I find this opportunity rather appealing.
I would like to discuss your opportunity in detail.

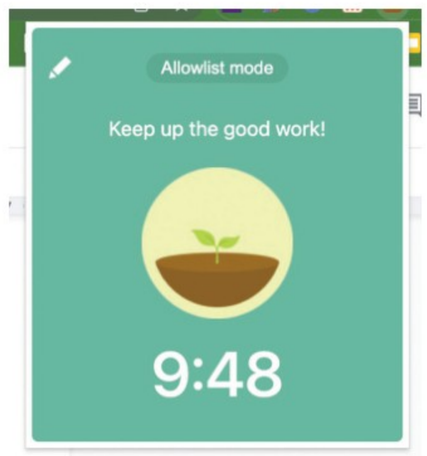
Wordtune in action
Website: https://www.wordtune.com/

Forest

Have you heard about the Pomodoro technique to increase focus? The Pomodoro Technique is a time management method developed in the late 1980s by Francesco Cirillo. It uses a timer to break down work into intervals, traditionally 25 minutes in length, separated by short breaks. These intervals are known as "pomodoros," the plural of the Italian word pomodoro for "tomato." The forest extension takes this method to the next level.



First it gives one a customised time limit instead of the traditional 25 minutes. Next it gives you a nice gaming experience. Let's say that you set aside 10 minutes in Forest for working on a specific task on one specific chrome tab. Forest gives you a virtual tree and your job is to keep it alive.



Forest | The plant at the beginning

You can keep it alive by focusing for the next 10 mins on what you are actually doing on that specific site. If you go to any other tab, you get a pop up saying "Your tree is still growing ", and it also blocks you from using another tab in case you get distracted.

At the end of every interval you will see that the small plant has grown to a tree. Each tree you saved by focusing on your work will grow to be part of a forest. One can link this extension to their iOS or Android app and see the Forest they built.

It can also be used on your phone in a similar way if you tend to work more on your phone.

Webpage: https://forestapp.cc/

To sum up, all these extensions can help you immensely to stay focused and use intelligent automation to cut down on time spent doing repetitive work.

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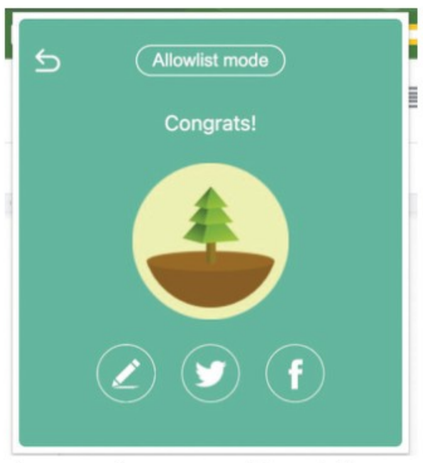

A grown-up tree on successful completion

THE DAILY QUIZ

Please send in your answers to dailyquiz@thehindu.co.in

On November 15, 1904, King Camp Gillette was granted a patent for the first razor with disposable blades. A quiz on inventions of everyday use objects

V. V. Ramanan

QUESTION 1
For the most important component in his invention, this prolific inventor tried materials like cedar, hickory, and bamboo before using carbonised cotton filament. Who and what invention?

QUESTION 2
What two common features seen on the roads are the brainchild of Garrett Morgan and Percy Shaw?

QUESTION 3
Which important item of stationery, whose design has not changed in more than a century, was patented by a company called Cushman and trademarked as Gem?

QUESTION 4
Most of us would have used the 'Brannock' device when purchasing a specific, daily-use item. What does the device measure?

QUESTION 5
One should thank Joseph Friedman for an innovation that makes us enjoy juice/shakes that much more. What did he do?

QUESTION 6
What two inventions by James Goodfellow of Scotland in the 1960s has made personal commercial transactions easier?

QUESTION 7
What kitchen convenience came about after Percy Spencer, a Raytheon engineer, saw that the magnetron that he was testing had melted a snack kept nearby?

Visual question:
Identify this genius who is responsible for one of the greatest inventions of the 20th century.

Questions (abridged) and Answers to the previous day's daily quiz: 1. This painter was known for the *Sunflowers* (1887) and *The Starry Night* (1889). **Ans: Vincent Van Gogh**
2. This drawing by Leonardo da Vinci is from the writings by the ancient Roman architect Vitruvius. **Ans: Vitruvian Man**
3. The sculptor who painted the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. **Ans: Michelangelo**
4. This painter who is hailed as the first modern Indian artist. **Ans: Raja Ravi Varma**
5. This painter painted *The Persistence of Memory* (1931). **Ans: Salvador Dali**
6. This twentieth century Mexican painter, commonly regarded as a feminist icon, is best known for her self-portraits. **Ans: Frida Kahlo**
7. Climate activists recently threw mashed potatoes at this work of Claude Monet. **Ans: *Les Meules or Haystacks***
Visual: This Indian painter is known for his distinctive style. **Ans: M. F. Hussain**

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Timings
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TUESDAY, NOV. 15		
RISE	06:18	SET 17:50
RISE	23:35	SET 11:55
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16		
RISE	06:18	SET 17:50
RISE	00:00	SET 12:37
THURSDAY, NOV. 17		
RISE	06:19	SET 17:50
RISE	00:24	SET 13:17

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	30	23
Mysuru	30	20
Bengaluru	28	19

Bengaluru Today
23°C The weather will be pleasant but humid. Night will be slight cool. Spell of light rain and thundershower is likely to occur.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
26°C A dry weather is likely.Day will be comfortable but humid. Night will be cool and hazy.

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Motorist killed while navigating dug-up road

This is the fourth accident in Bengaluru, reportedly owing to the bad condition of roads since the start of the monsoon, and the ninth since last October

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A 55-year-old two-wheeler rider was killed while navigating a dug-up road in Rajajinagar on Monday afternoon. This is the fourth accident in the city reportedly owing to the bad condition of roads since the start of the monsoon, and the ninth since last October.

The deceased has been identified as Kumar, a plumber and a resident of Mariyappanapalya. He was trying to overtake a tractor, when his vehicle skid on the bad stretch of the road. He fell down, came under the wheels of the trolley of the tractor, and was killed on the spot, the police said. The narrow stretch of the road has two trenches dug up and filled with mud on either side, reportedly by the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB).

CCTV camera footage showing the site of the accident at Rajajinagar.

CCTV camera footage of the accident showed Kumar trying to overtake the tractor, when his vehicle skids on the road as there is a difference in the road levels between the asphalted portion and the dug-up and remade portion, after which he comes under the wheels of the tractor.

However, the family members, in their complaint, did not blame the road condition and only blamed the tractor driver, a senior traffic police official said.

The Malleswaram Traffic Police have booked a case of causing death due to negligence and arrested the tractor driver and no case has been booked against civic officials either from the BWSSB or the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP).

Chief Civic Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath told *The Hindu* that the civic body would wait for the traffic police to probe the case before concluding that it was due to bad roads.

Pothole claims life; HDK hits out at govt. over bad roads

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

Former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy has hit out at the State government following the death of an ex-serviceman in Mandya who was run over by a truck when he fell from his two-wheeler while avoiding a pothole near Karemane Gate on Sunday.

The 39-year-old S.N. Kumar, after retiring from the armed forces, had been selected for the police constable's post and was under training in Bengaluru. Kumaraswamy had come to his hometown Sathanur and the accident took place when he was returning to his village.

His father, who was riding pillion, has suffered injuries.

Following the death of Kumar, the locals expressed their anger over the poor state of roads.

S.N. Kumar

They said mishaps and people getting injured after falling from their vehicles were a common sight. They said on the ex-serviceman would have survived had the potholes been properly covered for motorists' convenience.

"Is there a solution to Karnataka's potholed roads?" tweeted Mr Kumaraswamy, while expressing grief over the death of the ex-serviceman.

While lashing out at the BJP government for not acting on repairing bad roads that have already claimed many lives, Mr. Kumaraswamy claimed that he had sanctioned a sum of ₹50 crore for the repair of roads, including where the accident took place, in Mandya CMC limits when he was the Chief Minister.

"Unfortunately, the BJP government, after coming to power, withdrew the allocation for political reasons," he alleged, in a series of tweets.

The former Chief Minister demanded immediate release of compensation to the family of the deceased ex-serviceman.

BBMP continues to miss pothole deadlines

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has yet again failed to meet the deadline to fill all the potholes in the city despite Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath directing officials to fill the potholes across the city by November 5. Later, the BBMP fixed November 15 as the deadline, but officials admitted that they will not be able to meet this deadline too.

Officials admit they will miss the November 15 deadline to fix potholes in the city. K. MURALI KUMAR

The civic body, owing to the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday, had given a major facelift to roads in and around the Majestic area. Fresh asphalt has been done on Gubbi Thotadappa Road connecting Shantala Circle and Sangolli Rayanna Circle and potholes were also filled.

However, regarding other parts of the city's road condition, the palike officials continue to give the reason of rains in the city. Speaking to *The Hindu*, a senior BBMP official said, "For the last few days, it has been raining in the city, which is causing a delay in the pothole-filling work. So far, we have filled 29,517 potholes out of 32,011 potholes identified in the city and the remaining 2,494 potholes will be fixed soon."

After being pulled up repeatedly by the High Court and the public for the pothole menace in Bengaluru, Mr. Nath, in an internal circular, had warned the BBMP officials concerned of strict action if the potholes are not fixed within the deadline.

After criticism by Opposition parties that the civic body only repairs roads when the Prime Minister visits the city, the State government has asked BBMP to send a report on the work undertaken during Mr. Modi's visit to the city on Friday.

BBMP sources said that the government has asked for the details on the works undertaken during the PM's visit.

Auto fares: Transport Dept. to hold meeting with public today

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Transport Department will hold a consultation meeting with citizen groups on the fixation of fee for auto services provided by mobile-app based aggregators, such as Ola, Uber, and Rapido, on Tuesday.

A senior official of the department said that over 40 people representing citizen committees at traffic police levels have been invited to take part in the meeting.

Meanwhile, in a meeting on Monday with the auto drivers' union, representatives of the union vehemently opposed fixing of fee for mobile app based service providers.

C.N. Sreenivas, office-bearer of the union affiliated to CITU, said, "The taxi aggregators in the city are operating without obtaining any licence from the department. Rising auto fare in favour of the aggregators will go against the interest of the conventional auto drivers. We want the same auto fares to continue and the department to allow only digital meter auto drivers to run their business. We also demanded officials to initiate action against those auto drivers who refuse to ply and demand excess fare from the passengers".

Transport Commissioner S.N. Siddaramappa said, "As per the court's direction we held the meeting with auto drivers. On Tuesday, the department will hold a meeting with representatives of citizen committees that are active to seek their response. After receiving the response from the stakeholders, the same thing will be appraised to the court."

The official said that aggregators too took part in the meeting on Monday.

In 2021, the Regional Transport Authority (RTA) fixed a basic fare of ₹30 for the first two kilometres and ₹15 thereafter for every km.

A few weeks ago, the aggregators were accused of flouting the fare rules by charging exorbitant fares.

Text & Context
A weekday feature on *The Hindu* epaper (epaper.thehindu.com) carries explainers, special articles and a quiz. In the latest issue (November 15, Tuesday), the following explainer is available:

- The significance of the Bali G-20 summit
bit.ly/g20summitbali

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State govt. must direct private medical colleges not to collect excess fee: HC

FROM THE COURT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

If the State government is really interested in protecting the rights of the students, then it should issue directions to all the private medical colleges not to collect fees in excess of what has been prescribed by the statutory authorities, the High Court of Karnataka has said.

A division bench comprising Justice B. Veerappa and Justice K.S. Hemalekha issued the directions while

allowing the petitions filed by Harish G. and 28 other students of city-based Rajarajeshwari Medical College. The petitioner students, who had joined the MBBS course in 2017-18, had sought direction to the college to refund the excess fee collected from them during the period 2017-2021 contrary to the fee fixed by the Admission Overseeing Committee (AOC) set up as per the law by the government.

'Marketing education'

"They are running the institution for the purpose of marketing education to the students, as money-making machine, which is impermissible," the Bench observed while declining to accept the contention made on behalf of the college management that "some of the students had voluntarily paid excess fee".

"If the institution is running for the education of students with good intention, in all fairness, they [management of Rajarajeshwari medical college] should have directed the students not to pay the excess fee," the Bench said while observing that "if they really maintain transparency, they should not have accepted the excess fee and being the educational institution, should act like a 'guru'."

Observing that it is high time for the State government to issue general directions to private medical institutes against collecting excess, the Bench directed the college to refund the excess fee collected from the petitioner students with 6% interest as per the order made by the AOC in October 2018. The Bench also noted that the High Court in March this year dismissed the petition filed by the college, which had questioned the legality of the order passed by the AOC to return the excess fees with 6% interest.

While advising the college not to give any room for initiation of contempt of court against it, the Bench gave two weeks for the college to refund the excess fee with interest.

Play on Tipu set to land in court

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

The play titled 'Real Dreams of Tipu' which was released in a book format in Mysuru on Sunday is set to land in court with Tanvir Sait, MLA, announcing that he will file a case against it.

"The play has also been brought out as a book and I have received a copy of the same. I have contacted an advocate besides sending him a copy of the book and will file a case against it," said Mr. Sait.

The book, written by Addanda C Cariappa, director of theatre repertory Rangayana, was released by writer S.L. Bhyrappa and is set to make its stage debut in Mysuru on November 20. Mr. Sait also took exception to Mysuru MP Pratap Simha's statements that he would demolish a bus stop with domes atop it if the design was not changed within a few days. "It is the way Mr.Simha perceives certain things but lest one forget, it is a bus stop built with taxpayers' money and is everybody's responsibility to save public property," said Mr. Sait.

Meanwhile, an engineer associated with the project said that the bus stop is near the JSS College on the Mysuru-Nanjangud highway and comes under the Krishnaraja constituency represented by S.A. Ramdas, MLA. It was his desire to have a design reflective of the Mysuru palace.

As Cong., JDS oppose saffron for classrooms, CM defends it

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The State government's proposal to colour Viveka classrooms saffron has attracted objections from Opposition parties.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Monday defended the move to paint classrooms that are built under Viveka programme saffron. "Why are they (Congress) angry at the saffron colour? There is saffron in national flag too," the Chief Minister told reporters here in response to the Congress taking objection to painting classrooms saffron.

> Why are they (Congress) angry at the saffron colour? There is saffron in national flag too.
> **BASAVARAJ BOMMAI,** Chief Minister

"It is low politics to politicise everything," he said, after garlanding the statue of former Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Further, justifying the decision, Mr. Bommai said that the classrooms are being constructed in the name of Swami Vivekananda and being a monk, he wore saffron robes.

"Viveka means knowledge for one and all. Let them learn it."

H.D. Kumaraswamy, former Chief Minister, slammed the government, "Now the ruling party BJP is is painting saffron. The next party, which will come to power, they will paint another colour."

In his tweet, Congress MLA Priyank Kharge said, "Crumbling infrastructure, shortage of teachers, increase in dropouts, no textbooks, no uniforms, no midday meals, learning has dropped, but the government is interested in painting schools saffron".

Student found dead after being scolded

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A Class X student of a private school was found dead in the city on Sunday evening. The deceased was identified as Amruta, a resident of Pillareddy Layout, Banaswadi. She was reportedly caught by a teacher at her school for an examination malpractice during a class test on Saturday.

A note was found in which she reportedly said she was not able to forget the incident in school and was not able to live with the guilt, police sources said. The Ramamurthynagar police have registered a case and have taken up a probe.

This is the second such incident this week. On November 8, a Class X student, who was caught copying during a class test at a private school in Nagawara and made to stand out of the class, escaped from the school premises, went to an apartment near his home, and fell to his death from the 14th floor. The boy's parents had alleged negligence on part of the school.

(Those in distress or those having suicidal tendencies can call Arogya Sahayavani Ph.: 104 for help)

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INBRIEF

No pact with BJP to defeat Siddaramaiah, says HDK

Former Chief Minister and Janata Dal (Secular) leader H.D. Kumaraswamy on Monday said that the JD(S) will not enter into a pact with BJP to defeat Leader of the Opposition Siddaramaiah, who is likely to contest from Kolar Assembly constituency.

"There has been no discussion between JD(S) and BJP on the issue nor will the issue come up for discussion in future. There will be no question of a pact," he told reporters. He said: "It is not in our hands to ensure defeat or victory of anyone. We do not have any problem in Kolar since the candidate has been finalised. We will not be soft on Mr. Siddaramaiah. There is no need to strategise about it with other parties."

Meanwhile, Mr. Kumaraswamy, who called on party State president C.M. Ibrahim at his residence, discussed strategies ahead of the launch of Pancharatna Yatra on November 18.

From Page One

Hike in milk price by KMF put on hold

The KMF had said while the milk price in Tamil Nadu was ₹40 a litre, the cost of milk per litre in Andhra Pradesh is ₹55 while in Maharashtra and Kerala it is ₹51 and ₹46 respectively.

The latest attempt to hike the consumer price comes nearly two years and ten months after the last hike was effected. Currently, milk producers earn in the range of ₹27 to ₹31 per litre depending on the fat content and the financial strength of the district milk unions in addition to ₹5 per litre given as incentive by the State government.

Though it is a precedent for the KMF to seek the State Government's nod before hiking the milk price, Monday's announcement is learnt to have come without an explicit nod. A senior KMF official said that the government is aware of the milk industry's problem, especially the distress of farmers, and acknowledged that they had not waited for approval.

While multiple representations had been made to the government over the last year to allow the price hike, it had not allowed this since the public was recovering from pandemic-induced economic crisis. Recently, the KMF general body had also passed the resolution to increase the milk price.

Input cost

KMF sources said that the input cost in milk industry had gone up by more than 30% with the cost of feed alone going up by around 10%. "The hike would have brought some relief to farmers," they said.

KMF's daily procurement of milk dipped by 15.4 lakh litres since June

'The federation has suffered as many milk producers in border districts of the State, especially Kolar, started supplying to private dairies'

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka Milk Federation's (KMF) move to increase consumer price of milk and curd comes at a time when milk producers in high milk-producing districts are in distress, while the federation is losing out milk to private dairies owing to low procurement cost.

In fact, lumpy skin disease alone is estimated to have brought down milk production by about one lakh litre a day, while the private milk producers procuring milk in Karnataka and selling across the border has affected KMF badly.

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From a daily average procurement of 94.2 lakh litres in June 2022, the KMF has witnessed a steep decline in procurement to 78.8 lakh litres now daily due to private milk producers. The price range of milk sold by private dairies in the State has gone up from ₹44 a litre to ₹50 a litre. "The federation suffered as many milk producers in border districts, especially Kolar, had started supplying to private milk dairies," said sources in KMF. In fact, the Kolar district union at an emergency meeting on November 10 increased the procurement price by ₹2 per litre to prevent milk producers from selling the milk to private dairies.

Proposed hike

Curd	₹48/kg
Toned milk	₹40/litre
Double toned milk	₹39/litre
Homogenised toned milk	₹41/litre
Homogenised cow milk	₹45/litre
Special milk/Shubham milk	₹46/litre
Samrudhi milk	₹51/litre
Santrupthi milk	₹53/ litre

Senior officials said that the federation is currently losing out ₹1 per litre owing to high operating cost and low market price. "Though we will be passing the entire hike amount to farmers, the federation will make up with the volume. We are expecting procurement to go up by about 8 lakh litres a day after the hike is effected," the official said.

Sources said that the milk farmers, who have seen a sharp rise in input cost over the past two years, did not see the profession profitable in the recent months.

"The cost of fortified feed alone has gone up by 10% in less than two years. The cost of other inputs have also gone up due to rising petroleum cost. Added to this was heavy rainfall that brought down milk production."

According to the federation sources, the milk producers in the State receive between ₹27 per litre and ₹31 per litre as procurement price depending on the district milk unions.

BJP leader who threatened to kill Priyank nabbed in Hyderabad

The Hindu Bureau
KALABURAGI

A night before the scheduled arrival of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai in Kalaburagi for launching the Viveka Scheme for building around 8,000 classrooms for government schools, Bommai Manikant Rathod, a local BJP leader from Chittapur in Kalaburagi district, who had threatened Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) spokesperson and MLA for Chittapur Priyank Kharge of murder at a press conference on Friday, was arrested in Hyderabad, Telangana, late on Sunday.

BJP leader Manikant Rathod at Brahmapur police station on Monday morning. ARUN KULKARNI

However, the accused walked away from police station after obtaining a bail on Monday morning.

Complaint

Following a complaint by Tippannappa Kamakanur, vice-president of KPCC and former MLC, Brahmapur police in Kalaburagi city, on Saturday, booked the case under Section 506 [criminal intimidation] of the Indian Penal Code on Saturday. Soon after the case was registered, the accused absconded.

A five-member team was formed to nab him. Based on credible information, the team went to Hyderabad and took him into custody, and brought him to Kalaburagi.

Taking serious note of the death threat, different community leaders, including Sanjay Makala, Rajagopal Reddy, Mahantesh Kaulagi, Rajesh Guttedar, Lal Ahmad, Mallappa Inganakal, Mallikarjun Pujari, Ravi Chauhan and Lingaraj Tarfile, who were associated with Congress had, on Sunday, warned of waving black flags at and gheraoing the Chief Minister who was scheduled to visit Kalaburagi on Monday, if the accused was not arrested, apart from demanding a Z+ security to Mr. Priyank.

'PayCM' posters come up in Kalaburagi

The Hindu Bureau
KALABURAGI

In an embarrassing development for the Bharatiya Janata Party, 'PayCM' posters were seen pasted on walls in public places across Kalaburagi on Monday hours before the arrival of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai to launch the Viveka Scheme for construction of over 7,000 classrooms in government schools.

As the day broke, residents of Sangameshwar Colony, Tank Bund and other areas found the posters that had Mr. Bommai's image and QR code which would lead to a webpage maintained by Congress to provide details of the scams and corruption of BJP in the State.

It is learnt that the posters were posted previous night.

During his brief interaction with mediapersons on his arrival in Kalaburagi, Mr. Bommai declined to comment on the development.

'Priyank missing'

A week ago, the BJP activists had pasted posters proclaiming 'Priyank Kharge missing' in Chittapur, the constituency represented by the Congress leader in the Legislative Assembly, triggering flash protests in Wadi and Chittapur towns.

Lok Adalat settles a record 14.77 lakh cases amicably

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A sum of ₹1,282 crore has been paid by way of settlement of disputes

A national-level Lok Adalat held in the State on November 12 has set a new record of amicably settling 14,77,285 cases, which include 1,76,501 cases pending in various courts and 13,00,784 pre-litigation cases, said Justice B. Veerappa, a judge of the High Court of Karnataka and Executive Chairperson of the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KSLSA) here on Monday.

Addressing mediapersons, he said that ₹1,282 crore was paid by way of settlement of disputes, which include motor vehicle accident claims (MVC), real estate regulation, consumer disputes, partition suits, cheque dishonour, land acquisition, and other cases.

Settlement of 3,384 MVC and 10,994 cheque dishonour cases have resulted in amicable payment of a whopping ₹324 crore and ₹328 crore as settlement amount, respectively, Justice Veerappa said. Similarly, settlement of about 9,383 bank loan cases and 175 real estate regulation cases have resulted in payment of about ₹74 crore, he said.

Pointing out that the traffic police will have to recover around ₹1,000 crore from motorists for violation of minor traffic rules for which challans were generated, Justice Veerappa said that this Lok Adalat has succeeded in closing 4.18 lakh such traffic cases under pre-litigation cases category yielding around ₹23 crore to the State exchequer.

Similarly, around 1.28 lakh and 2.88 lakh pre-litigation cases related to non-payment of electricity and water bills were amicably settled resulting in payment of ₹18 crore and ₹27 crore arrears from electricity and water bills, respectively, he said while pointing out that around 2.65 lakh pre-litigation cases related to issues like khata transfer, non-payment of pension, senior citizen and other ID cards, etc were settled by revenue authorities across the State.

Stating that the members of the judicial services are continuously making attempt to resolve disputes among couples in conflict, he said that this Lok Adalat has witnessed reunion of 174 such couples while amicably settling around 1,460 cases related to matrimonial issues.

State exploring ties with U.S. in anti-narcotics

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Karnataka will explore collaborations with the U.S in the areas of anti-narcotics and pharmaceutical manufacturing, said Ashwath Narayan, Minister for IT & BT, Science & Technology, Higher Education, Skill Development, Entrepreneurship & Livelihood here on Monday.

The Minister met Rahul Gupta, Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, Washington, to discuss new avenues in anti-narcotics.

OBITUARY & REMEMBRANCE

REMEMBRANCE

IN FOND MEMORY

Late T M Meenakshi (Pattu)
15.11.1922 – 30.06.2002
Late S Dandapani (S D Pani)
Rtd Chief Engineer,
ITI Bangalore
16.03.1916 – 24.11.1989
Fondly Remembered by:
Near and Dear

CM heaps praises on Nehru

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Months after ignoring the first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru in government advertisements that listed freedom fighters, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Monday heaped praises on the late Prime Minister and credited him for taking India to the international level.

"As the first Prime Minister, he laid foundation for development and worked commendably at the international level towards non-aligned movement," the Chief Minister said after garlanding the statue of Nehru on the Vidhana Soudha premises here on his birth anniversary. "He strove hard for the country to progress," he said. Earlier, during the 75th I-Day celebrations, the government had been slammed for ignoring Nehru in advertisements that were released to media.

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement system only)

No.: KNNL/GRBCC-2/DB/TND/2022-23/2145 Date : 09-11-2022

Pre-qualification cum Short Term tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore from eligible bidders / contractors, for the works detailed below (as per KTPP Act 2000), on The intending bidders can submit tenders / bids as an individual / Tie up, to be formed prior to the bidding only through e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka website, **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** under **Two Covers.** The **Two Cover System** consists of two sections, the first section is **Technical Bid** and the second section is **Financial Bid.** The detailed/blank tender document can be viewed / downloaded from the date and time of publication of tender in e-procurement portal. Stipulated time for submission of tenders/bids for the works noted herein under is as per KTPP Rules, Chapter-V, Rule-17, sub rule (2).

1) Indent No.: 33439 Call-3
2) Estimated Amount put to Tender : Rs. 2028.46 Lakhs
3) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) : 20.30 Lakhs

The calendar of events will be as per the schedule in the e-procurement portal.

This Tender Bid Viewed / Downloaded : 12-11-2022 to 25-11-2022

a) Last Date & Time for tender queries / clarifications : 16-11-2022 upto 17:00 Hrs.
b) Pre-bid meeting at O/o. Executive Engineer, KNNL GRBCC Div. No. 2 Hidkal Dam, Tal: Hukkeri, District Belagavi 591107 : 18-11-2022 upto 11.30 Hrs.
c) Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders : 25-11-2022 upto 17.00 Hrs.
d) Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid / Tender : 29-11-2022 upto 17.30 Hrs. onwards
e) Date & Time for opening of Financial Bid / Tender : Will be intimated seperately to the Technically qualified bidders

Corrigendum, addendum, etc to the tendered work and any change in, Amount Put to Tender (APT), Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and conditions, etc for the above works, will be notified in e-procurement platform and the details of the same can be had from this office.

Further any information / queries / clarifications can be had from the under signed through phone **No.08333-263242, Fax No.08333263405, email : eegrbc2@yahoo/gmail.com** & from helpline Nos. of e-portal https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in during office hours, before date and time allowed / notified.

NOTE : Any change / extension etc., in the tender schedule (calendar of events) will not be published / advertised through news papers, changes will be updated on/in e-procurement portal only.

Sd/- **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**
KNNL, GRBCC Div. No. 2, Hidkal Dam

DIPO/BGM/1165/2022-23

BANGALORE URBAN ZILLA PANCHAYATH
Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, First Floor, Zilla Panchayat Building, S. Kariyappa Road, Banashankari, Bengaluru - 560070.

No: EE/RDW&SD/BNG(U)/TND/19/2022-23
Dated: 08-11-2022

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited through E-Procurement for the works approved Under JJM & SBM Head of grants for the year 2022-23. The Tender Documents can be obtained and Submitted **on or before 21-11-2022 upto 4.00 PM.** For further details contact the above address during office hours or visit Website: **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division
Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/3071/Adverto/2022-23

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer (K.R.Puram), Lakes, 3rd Floor, Annex-3 Building, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560 002.

No: EE(KR Puram)/Lakes/TEND-01/2022-23 Date: 14-11-2022

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (K.R.Puram), Lakes, BBMP, invites Proposals (Technical and Financial) for appointing Consultant for Providing Project Management Consultancy Services including Construction, Supervision and Quality Control for the works detailed in the table below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Cost of the Project(Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1	Providing Project Management Consultancy Services including Construction, Supervision and Quality Control for the work of **"Package 17-** Improvements to diversion drain, waste weirs, inlet improvements, chain link fencing at Kalkere Lake".	**1000.00**	50,000/-
2	Providing Project Management Consultancy Services including Construction, Supervision and Quality Control for the work of "Balance Developmental works at Sigehalli lake and Chikkabasavanapura Lake".	**284.00**	25,000/-

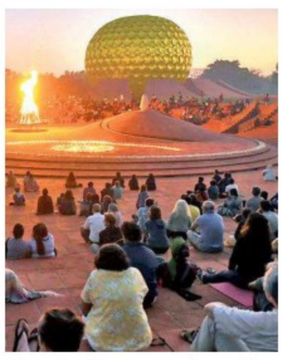
Tender Schedule: 1) RFP documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in from : **15.11.2022 onwards.** (2) Pre-bid meeting will be held on **21.11.2022 at 4:00 p.m.** in the office of the Executive Engineer (KR Puram), Lakes, BBMP. 3) Last date for submission of bids: **01.12.2022 upto 4:00 p.m.** (4) Opening of Technical Bids: **02.12.2022 at 4:30 p.m.**

Further details can be had from the office of the above during office hours on all working days or visit e-Procurement portal website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer(K.R. Puram), Lakes, BBMP

Court order will aid development, says Auroville Foundation

The Hindu Bureau
PUDUCHERRY



There has been unrest over the last few months in Auroville. FILE PHOTO

The Auroville Foundation has said that the recent order of the Madras High Court upholding the validity of office orders relating to the reconstitution of working groups will serve to dispel 'misinterpretations' among some residents, and facilitate a new phase of development aligned with its founding goal of a galaxy-shaped city of the future.

A press note from Auroville Media Interface said the court order "goes a long way towards restoring the correct understanding of the Act in Auroville and dispels many misinterpretations among the residents of Auroville".

In dismissing a resident's writ challenge to office orders reconstituting the working groups on the claim that the Residents Assembly enjoyed the primacy in town planning of the Auroville Town and determining members to these bodies, the court had unequivocally held that only the Governing Board (GB) has powers to constitute committees under Section 16 of the Auroville Foundation Act, 1988 and is the only governing authority, the release said.

'Can only assist'

The Residents Assembly (RA) can only recommend, assist and aid the Governing Board and the activities and functions of the RA is only to supplement the powers of the Governing Board and not to supplant powers vested with it as per the Act.

In effect, a resident cannot claim to represent the entire Residents Assembly, which is only a body under Sections 18 and 19 of the Act tasked to perform certain functions and activities which are advisory and recommendatory in order to aid and assist the GB, which is vested with all powers under the Act, the press note added.

"The last months have seen some turmoil in Auroville, especially related to the implementation of the Master Plan, based on the Galaxy Plan as approved by the Founder of Auroville, the Mother. With the question of the legitimacy of the Auroville Town Development Council now cleared by the Madras High Court, Auroville will leap forward into its new phase of development, with the aim to invite 12,000 new participants by 2025, as envisioned in its Master Plan titled 'Perspective Plan 2025'," the press note said.

Madras HC sustains validity of Auroville Board's order

Court rejects plea to include members nominated by the Residents' Assembly; says the power of the Board to constitute the Auroville Town Development committee cannot be questioned

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

The only defect in the Board's order is that it has referred to a standing order while tracing the source of its power: HC

The Madras High Court has sustained the validity of an order passed by the Governing Board of Auroville Foundation on June 1 with respect to constitution of Auroville Town Development committee (ATDC) and rejected a plea by a resident that members nominated by the Residents' Assembly too should be included in the committee.

Justice R. Suresh Kumar ruled that the activities that could be performed by the Residents' Assembly under Section 19 of the Auroville Foundation Act of 1988 were only in the nature of supplementing and not supplanting the main powers and functions vested on the governing board by the same law.

The judge dismissed a writ petition filed by the resident, Natasha Storey, who insisted that members nominated by the Residents' Assembly, through its working council, should be included in the ATDC. He held that there was no legal basis for claiming any right of the Residents' Assembly having been affected.

Referring to Section 16 of the Act, the judge said, it empowers the Governing Board to appoint as many committees as may be necessary for efficient discharge of its duties and performance of its functions under the Act. "When that being so, the power of the Board to constitute any committee like the ATDC cannot be questioned," he wrote.

The only defect in the Governing Board's June 1 order was that it had referred to a standing order instead of Section 16 while tracing the source of its power to constitute the ATDC. However, such defect was curable, Justice Kumar said and directed the Governing Board to issue a corrigendum within four weeks.

Kerala HC quashes appointment of Riji John as fisheries university V-C

K.C. Gopakumar
KOCHI

A Division Bench of the Kerala High Court on Monday quashed the appointment of K. Riji John as Vice-Chancellor of the Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (Kufos) as it found that the appointment is in violation of the University Grants Commission Regulations, 2018.

The Bench comprising Chief Justice S. Manikumar and Justice Shaji P. Chali, while allowing two writ petitions challenging the appointment, directed the Chancellor to constitute a search-cum-selection committee for recommending a panel of names to the Chancellor in accordance with regulation 7.3 of the UGC Regulations, 2018, at the earliest possible time.

'Not sustainable legally'

The court held that the selection of Mr. John as the Vice-Chancellor of Kufos "overlooking the UGC Regulations, 2018, cannot be sustained under law".

The court further pointed out that it was an admitted fact that the appointment of the search-cum-selection committee and the Vice-Chancellor was made by the Chancellor in terms of the provisions of the Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies Act, 2010, though not fully.

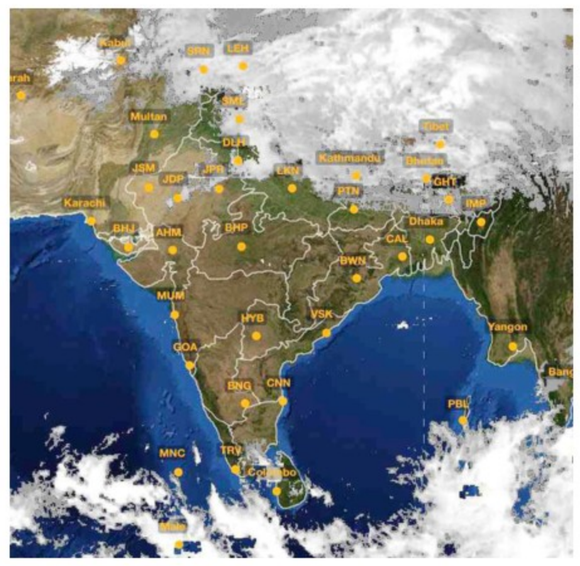
The court observed that the provisions of the UGC Regulations, 2018, in the matter of the appointment of Vice-Chancellor and the constitution of the search-cum-selection committee had supremacy and paramountcy over the provisions of the fisheries university Act, 2010.

The court also added that a State university once recognised by the UGC is obligated under the law to follow its requirements.

The petitions were filed by K.K. Vijayan from Kochi and G. Sadasivan Nair, a former professor.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Tuesday: Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning likely at isolated places over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal, Kerala, Mahe and Lakshadweep

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	—	30.2	16.4	Kozhikode	0.1	34.4	24.8
Ahmedabad	—	33.5	16.9	Kurnool	—	31.6	22.6
Aizawl	—	—	12.9	Lucknow	—	28.8	13.8
Allahabad	—	30.6	14.2	Madurai	—	29.8	22.8
Bengaluru	0.2	28.2	19.0	Mangaluru	—	33.3	24.0
Bhopal	—	29.0	13.6	Mumbai	—	34.7	21.2
Bhubaneswar	—	30.0	17.1	Mysuru	—	27.0	19.0
Chandigarh	—	23.9	15.1	New Delhi	—	31.2	14.1
Chennai	1	29.4	23.4	Patna	—	27.8	14.2
Coimbatore	0.1	29.4	21.8	Port Blair	—	29.2	23.8
Dehradun	—	24.8	12.8	Puducherry	0.4	32.1	21.8
Gangtok	—	17.3	9.8	Pune	—	32.2	16.1
Goa	—	34.6	24.9	Raipur	—	30.3	15.5
Guwahati	—	29.4	17.1	Ranchi	—	25.4	11.9
Hubballi	—	29.0	19.0	Shillong	—	20.6	8.9
Hyderabad	—	30.8	17.5	Shimla	—	12.9	8.0
Imphal	—	26.8	10.5	Srinagar	5.8	16.0	4.0
Jaipur	—	29.0	14.5	Thiruvananthapuram	—	28.4	24.3
Kochi	20	30.8	24.0	Tiruchi	3	29.3	23.5
Kohima	—	23.4	8.6	Vijayawada	—	30.8	23.2
Kolkata	—	29.0	18.3	Visakhapatnam	—	31.4	24.0

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	..—	110	..7	 87	...105	.....
Bengaluru	..13	..20	36	 32	32	.....
Chennai	3	..43	61	 47	48	.....
Delhi	..14	..96	52	... 362	...338	.....
Hyderabad	2	..39	45	... 167	...146	.....
Kolkata	..24	..93	26	... 230	...163	.....
Lucknow	..13	..56	71	... 240	...213	.....
Mumbai	..38	101	81	... 257	...166	.....
Pune	..—	..32	71	..... —	.....—	.....
Visakhapatnam	..21	..38	35	... 145	...124	.....

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Siwan, Bihar recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 398 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Hassan, Karnataka recorded a healthy AQI score of 15

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Government of Karnataka
Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Mandya

No. 13/2022-2023 Dated: 09-11-2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION FOR Improvements / Construction to road works in K.R. Pet Taluk, Mandya District

Tender in One / Two cover system is invited from qualified Eligible contractors for the works pertaining to **Mandya Division** through e-procurement portal as per Standard bid document KW- 2,3,&4. The eligible contractors can participate in this tender through e-procurement portal http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Pre-bid Meeting only for KW-4, Works will be held on 01-12-2022. [More than 100.00 Lakhs only] at 11.00 am in the Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Mandya. Documents may be downloaded from 21-11-2022. Last date for Queries 05-12-2022 upto 4.00 pm, Last date submission of tender 06-12-2022 upto 4.30 pm, Date of opening Technical bid 07-12-2022 at 5.00 pm onwards, Financial bid upto Rs. 50.00 Lakhs will be opened on 07-12-2022 at 5.00 pm onwards or next Office working days. Financial bid Above Rs. 50.00 Lakhs will be opened on 09-12-2022 at 11.00 am onwards or next Office working day. Tender Processing Fees as per E-Procurement & Duration including Monsoon 2/3/4/6 months, Number of works: 10, Estimate Amount Maximum **Rs. 300.00** Lakhs, Minimum **Rs. 40.00** Lakhs, EMD as per E-Procurement. For more information contact the above office during Office Hours.

Henceforth, any changes in the schedule / contents will not be published through newspapers and further changes will be updated only in e-procurement portal.

Sd/- EE., PWD Division, Mandya

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Udupi
"Rajathadri", B Block, 1st Floor, Room No. B-208, Manipal, Udupi.

NO.EE/RWSSDU/Tender No.29/2022-23/AE-2/ Dated: 14.11.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of Governor of Karnatakain "TWO COVER SYSTEM" through Government of Karnataka e-procurement portal WEB site https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in for 2 no. of works costing Rs. 53.04 Lakhs and 62.93 Lakhs sanctioned under JJM. The contractors who meets the requirement of Standard Tender Documents KW-3 are eligible to apply for this tender. (The tenders submitted by the Contractors are already executing the JJM Works and failed to complete the work within stipulated period shall not be considered)

Calendar of Events

1. The Contractor can download the tender document from : 14.11.2022
2. Last Date for Submission of tenders : 29.11.2022 04:00 PM
3. Opening of Technical Bid for the Tenders : 01.12.2022 11:00 AM
4. Opening of Financial Bid of the Tender : 05.12.2022 12:00 AM

The blank tender documents can be viewed or downloaded from E-proc portal. Details of work / eligibility of contractor/Tender processing fees / dates of events etc. can be had from website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Further information can be had from the undersigned during office hours.

Right of acceptance of tender is reserved

E-proc portal helpdesk: 080-22371090/22373788

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Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Rural Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Udupi

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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Chief Executive Officer
Cyberpark Campus,
Kozhikode – 673016
Tel: 0495 2433050

Date : 15-11-2022
Kozhikode

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All the Piece and Parcel of Property owned by Shri.Venkataswamy in Survey No.71/11 (Old No. 71/4), measuring 1 Acre 4 Guntas inclusive of 01 Guntas Kharab, situated at Doddakadathuru Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and bounded on:

East by : Property belonging to Shri. K. Rangaswamy and Shri K. R. Munivenkatappa.
West by : Property belonging to Shri. Munigurrappa
North by : Property belonging to Shri. Shiramappa. and
South by : Property belonging to Shri. K.M. Venkataswamy

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Karnataka Public Work Department
(A Government of KarnatakaEnterprises) O/O Executive Engineer PWD Division, Hosapete, Dist:-Vijayanagara

No:EE/PWD/Dn/Hosapete/TND/2022-23/1556 **Date:10/11/2022.**

Short Term E-Tender Notification

Tenders are invited by undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara Dist, for the work notified in the statement below. The bid shall be in Two Cover system namely technical bid and financial bid through Electronic system containing details of EMD through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

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1 Quarries of Tender On **As Per E-procurement Portal.** 2 Last Date of Tender Submission On **22.11.2022 @ 16.00 Hours** 3 Tender Opening date On **23.11.2022. @ 16.30 Hours.** 4 Financial Bid Opening Date **As Per E-procurement Portal.**

Note: 1. Any Changes Either in Tender date or any other condition , Tenderers can view in E-procurement Portal.

DIPR/Vijayanagar/234/MCA/2022-23 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division Hosapete, Vijayanagara District.**

(Public Works Department)
Executive Engineer, Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.

Invitation for Short-Term Tender (I.F.T.) No.: 24/2022-23 Date: 09.11.2022

(For Building Works -As per Standard Bidding Document K.W.-1 & 2 in single cover & as per 3 in two cover system)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000, the Undersigned invites Tenders in single & two cover system through e-procurement portal from eligible Contractors registered in PWD for Building Works in Gowribidanuru Legislative Assembly Constituency. Those interested in participating in the tender can submit the tenders from **10.11.2022 to 19.11.2022 up to 4.00 pm.** *(1)* Last date for objections-doubts and clarifications: **16.11.2022 (at 3.00 pm during office hours) (2)** Last date for submission of filled tenders: **19.11.2022 (up to 4.00 pm) (3)** Date of opening Financial & Technical Bids: **21.11.2022 at 11.00 am** (Applies only to works of K.W.-1, 2 & 3) **(4)** Date of opening Financial Bid after approval of Technical Bid: (Applies only to works of K.W.-3) For more information visit website **www.kpwd.gov.in** or contact this office during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.W.D. Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.
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SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of agricultural dry land bearing Sy No. 116 measuring 2 Acres, situated at Singrahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and bounded on the;

East : Land in Sy No 117, West : Land in Sy No 109; North : Dodda Chimanahalli Village boundary; South : Land in Sy No 77

Sd/-
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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
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No.SEE/T(W&M)/MYS/EEE(O)/AEE-1/2022-23/4486-88 **Date: 10.11.2022**

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(E-Procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works on **partial turnkey basis**:

1) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE1/T(W&M)/MYS/ADDL/27 **for Providing Additional 1x12.5 MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer along with necessary Switchgear at 66/11KV Bookanakere Sub-Station in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District.**

2) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/T(W&M)/MYS/REPL/20 for **Providing additional 1x12.5MVA 66/11kV Power Transformer at 66/11kV Vaderahalli Sub Station in Nagamangala Taluk & Mandya Dist**

3) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/T(W&M)/MYS/REPL/21 **for Replacement of 2x 8MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer by 2x12.5 MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer at 66/11KV Mahadeshwarapura Sub-Station in Pandavapura Taluk, Mandya District.**

4) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/T(W&M)/MYS/REPL/13 for **Replacement of 1X6.3 MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer by 1X8 MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformers at Doddabyadarahalli 66/11KV Sub-station in Pandavapura Taluk, Mandya District.**

5) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/T(W&M)/MYS/ADDL/25 for **Providing Additional 1x8 MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer along with necessary Switchgear at 66/11KV Taripura Sub-Station in Srirangapatna Taluk and Mandya District.**

6) KPTCL/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/T(W&M)/MYS/REPL/28 for **Replacement of 2nd 1x12.5MVA, 66/11KV power transformer by 1x20MVA, 66/11KV Power Transformer at 66/11KV KIADB Mandya Sub Station in Mandya Taluk & Dist.**

The detailed notification regarding above said enquiry in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyper link **"e-Procurement"** OR **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **16.11.2022**". Any further details can be obtained from the Office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/-, Superintending Engineer, Elecl., Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, 1st Floor, Prasarana Bhavana, FTS Compound, Mysuru-07.

Mutual benefit

Both India and the U.S. stand to gain by enhancing cooperation on trade

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen's visit to India last week highlights the renewed focus in the U.S. on strengthening economic ties with Asia's third-largest economy and 'one of America's indispensable partners'. The current global environment with its macroeconomic, trade and strategic challenges makes it all the more compelling for the world's two largest democracies to deepen their engagement in a way that is mutually beneficial. In Delhi, Ms. Yellen emphasised that "the United States and India share an interest in strengthening our supply chains in a world where certain governments wield trade as a geopolitical weapon". The U.S. was particularly keen to minimise its vulnerability to supply-chain disruptions and was therefore pursuing a strategy of 'friendshoring', with India, a key element in the plan to cut its reliance on 'countries that present geopolitical and security risks' to the supply chain. Citing the Ukraine invasion and asserting that Moscow had 'weaponised' its supply of natural gas to Europe, as well as the challenges of China's dominance in the production of products such as solar panels, she underlined Washington's keenness to nurture local partners in developing countries to help mitigate over-concentration on select suppliers.

Ms. Yellen's visit also highlights the opportunities and challenges in the bilateral economic relationship, especially as the current dispensation in Washington moves to mend the ruptures caused by the Trump administration's antagonistic decisions on trade including the withdrawal of duty-free access to Indian exporters under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) as well as a 2020 decision to put India back on the U.S. Treasury's 'Monitoring List' over its currency practices. The U.S. is still to reinstate the GSP benefit and exporters on both sides still face challenges, notwithstanding the fact that the U.S. is one of India's largest trading partners. In fact, the International Trade Administration of the U.S. notes in its investment climate summary on India that "new protectionist measures, including strict enforcement and potential expansion of data localisation measures, increased tariffs... and Indian-specific standards not aligned with international standards effectively closed off producers from global supply chains and restricted the expansion in bilateral trade and investment". With India set to take up the reins of the G-20 presidency, New Delhi has a chance to steer the global economic and trade agenda towards greater equity, including on climate change, especially given Ms. Yellen's vocal assurance of U.S. backing. Both sides stand much to gain by enhancing mutual trust and cooperation, particularly on trade.

Tradition and talent

England's win in the T20 World Cup is proof of its talent pool

The ICC Twenty20 World Cup that concluded at Melbourne on Sunday, granted relevance to cricket's shortest format. Lost in the medley of domestic leagues ranging from the Indian Premier League to the Big Bash, T20Is often become an after-thought in bilateral contests. A few games are casually held while the respective cricket boards tend to fatten their own indigenous leagues. With franchise-cricket mushrooming across the limited cricketing world while the globe at large favours football, the willow game needed a sense of permanence in a format that is often seen as a blink-and-miss routine. Tests and ODIs have their own votaries but T20s are seen as a backyard clash marinated in top dollar and hype. The T20 World Cup alters that perception once in two years and the latest event at Australia was no exception. That England, steeped in the tradition of Test cricket won the trophy is bound to grant the format some heft even if the commercial muscle rests with India. It is also a tribute to the flexibility coursing through the Old Blighty's coaching infrastructure that the administration there treats Tests, ODIs and T20Is as distinctly unique formats by which even team-composition and attitudes are customised. That Joe Root does not figure in England's T20Is is a pointer to keeping sentiment at bay.

Squaring up against England in the summit-clash was Pakistan. Even if the climax favoured Jos Buttler's men and their power-cricket, Babar Azam's troops showed that the fast bowling riches within Pakistan remain intact. Despite a meagre 137 for eight, Pakistan was able to stretch the contest due to its pacers even if Shaheen Afridi limped off towards the end. If England and Pakistan shrugged aside a middling group-stage performance to stay the course, India and New Zealand were the form-teams in the initial rounds before fading out. The Men in Blue rode on Virat Kohli's consistency, Suryakumar Yadav's chutzpah and reasonably effective bowlers before they unravelled against England in the semifinal. That India needs kinetic energy in the way it approaches T20Is has become a non-negotiable requirement. The trope of staying long and then exploding at the death may work in ODIs but is a weakness in the shortest version. With key players in their mid-thirties, Indian selectors need to infuse fresh blood. Equally, that defending champion Australia and South Africa crashed out while Ireland and the Netherlands staged upsets, points to the evolution within the T20 segment. Meanwhile, the failure of the West Indies to even qualify proved tragic as the men from the Caribbean are intrinsic to cricket's health.

The shape of the Indian economic pie must change

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The Supreme Court of India's decision to support the economically weaker sections (EWS) quota raises fundamental questions about remedies for social and economic discrimination. Who is being discriminated against? What is the nature of discrimination? Which remedies are justifiable? Reservations in jobs and education are legal remedies. Subsidies (and 'freebies') are material compensations for deprivations caused by social and economic discrimination. The Court has been approached on both matters.

A fundamental question arising with an EWS quota on top of other quotas is that the total numbers of people discriminated against has crossed 50%. Now, a majority is complaining about discrimination. The question before the Court was whether opportunities can be reserved for economically weaker persons regardless of their societal status whereas the Constitution allows affirmative action only for historically disadvantaged castes and communities. When a majority demands affirmative action, courts are expected to judge whether to rob Peter to pay Paul.

There is a chasm

Clearly, the shape of the economy is distorted. Decent jobs and social security are available to too few; good education and health care is not available to all. Until the pattern of economic growth changes to generate sufficient employment and the Government can deliver social security to all, issues about fair distribution of opportunities and the need for subsidies will become harder for the justice system and the Government to resolve.

Economic inequalities have been increasing in all countries, even the rich ones. Governments are struggling to meet conflicting demands for "ease of doing business" for capital, and "ease of earning and living" for citizens. Populism is on the rise. On the left, populism has a "socialist" voice: it demands rights for all workers, across races and religions, who are unable to earn enough and have little social security. On the right, populism wants to protect racial and religious majorities from immigrants and minorities competing with them for limited economic opportunities.

Thomas Piketty describes, in *Capital and Ideology*, how societies were historically divided into three classes – a clerical and religious class, a noble and warrior class, and a common, labouring class. He explains how the merchant and financial class later emerged and became dominant. Piketty has researched European societies mostly. The Hindu caste system divided work into four broad categories. Those who did the manual work were one caste. Those who traded and did business, another. Those who ruled, carried arms, and imposed order, a third. And those with superior knowledge, who would not sully themselves with manual work or making money, a superior caste. People born into their castes were skilled in their vocations. Society and economy worked harmoniously because aspirations to change castes and vocations were pushed into the afterlife.

> The majority needs to benefit much faster than a tiny minority on top, which will require reforms of institutions and economic ideology and the Government listening to the needs of common citizens

Piketty says, "Every human society must justify its inequalities: unless reasons for them are found, the whole political and social edifice stands in danger of collapse. Modern inequality is said to be just because it is the result of a freely chosen process in which everyone enjoys equal access to the market and to property and automatically benefits from the wealth accumulated by the wealthiest individuals, who are also the most enterprising, deserving, and useful. Nearly everywhere a gaping chasm divides official meritocratic discourse from the reality of access to education and wealth for society's least favored class."

Money as master

The money-owning class was despised in many cultures as mere money lenders sucking value out of others' work. The financing of wars gave this class power over governments. International trade, the driving force for the economic power of European nations (supported with armed force), provided another avenue for growth of the financial class. After the U.S. Civil War, Abraham Lincoln dreamed of a future when "Money will cease to be the master and become the servant of humanity and democracy will rise superior to the money power". Lincoln's dream was buried in the latter half of the 20th century. With the victory of monetarism (and Friedman) over welfarism (and Keynes), money became the master. Central banks with responsibility to look after the health of money, acquired independence from elected governments whose responsibility is the health of citizens.

Changing the rules of the game

Mariana Mazzucato describes the rise of the financial class in *The Value of Everything*. The role of banks and financial institutions was to provide lubrication to the wheels of the real economy, rather than making large profits themselves. By the 21st century, production of the lubricant seems to have become the purpose of financial institutions. Innovative ways of making money from money also became the fastest way to increase personal wealth. Inequalities have increased because a much larger share of wealth is sucked into the financial sector.

The rules of the economic game are now set by the wealthiest. They influence governments' policies the most. The terms of trade between money and labour are set in their favour. They can determine the wages they will pay workers and prices for small enterprises. Common citizens who earn with their personal labour, as gig workers, small farmers, and informal entrepreneurs, etc., live precariously. Formal jobs in large enterprises, where workers could unite to demand fair treatment from employers, are becoming fewer with the changing shape of the modern, post-industrial, economy.

India has the largest number of working age persons in the world seeking work and better incomes. The Indian economy also has among the lowest employment elasticities (that is the number of jobs created with each unit of GDP growth). India is becoming one of the most unequal societies in the world – socially and economically. The country's problem of dividing the economic pie to rectify both historical social and new economic discrimination cannot be resolved merely by judging whose needs are greater.

The shape of the economic pie must change so that the majority benefits much faster than a tiny minority on top. This will require reforms of institutions and economic ideology. The Government must listen and respond to the needs of common citizens more than to big business lobbies. Ease of living for the majority must drive government policies more than policies for attracting big investments with ease of doing business.

In Iran protests, the long fight for freedoms

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"In our dream, wind will blow into women's hairs, in our dream, children will not be forced to learn ideologies of the Middle Ages, in our dreams, no one will attack girls' schools... no one will shoot at them from behind", was the line of Hamed Esmaeilion (Iranian-Canadian activist at a rally organised to support the protests in Iran).

Defying a crackdown by security forces, it is almost two months since protests started across Iran, and have lost little momentum. Discarding their legally-mandated Islamic head scarves, women have been at the forefront of the demonstrations over the death in September 2022 of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini who had been arrested by the morality police for wearing an 'improper' hijab in violation of Iranian law. According to eyewitnesses, Amini was beaten in custody, an assertion denied by the authorities.

The protests, the response and questions

These demonstrations are the most serious challenge to the Iranian government in years, forcing lawmakers on November 6 to call for the protesters to be taught a 'good lesson' to deter those who defy the authority of the Iranian government. For the authorities, repression appears the only recourse to remain in power. These developments give rise to many questions: can the demonstrations be sustained? How is this movement different from the several previous protests in Iran? Are the protests the beginning of long-term opposition to the ultra-orthodox Islamic Republic? And, how is the international community reacting to the movement?

Demonstrations have spread across Iran's cities and university campuses, with large crowds in the streets protesting against the attempt by President Ebrahim Raisi's regime to impose strict hijab rules, and brandishing defiant slogans such as: 'Women, Life, Freedom' and 'We will fight and take Iran back'. In places, protesters condemned the supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei himself, calling for his death or removal. The movement has been marked by excessive force as security forces have attacked and shot at the demonstrators with live ammunition, and assaulted them using tear gas and batons. Some crowds in the capital Tehran have reportedly fought back by chasing the security forces and setting fire to their vehicles. According to credible reports, at least 330 Iranians have been killed and 15,000 arrested, making these protests the deadliest since the 2019-20 protests that resulted in more than 1,500 fatalities. In 2009, 'millions of people had taken to the streets after a disputed presidential election, but the unrest then was led by the middle class and limited to major cities. Economic hardship triggered nationwide protests in 2017 and 2019, and these took place mostly in working-class areas'. Unlike the previous protests, the chief source of discontent in the current movement is neither economic nor political, but for human dignity and individual rights, centring on the recognition of women as the primary victims of the regime's male-dominated tradition and strict Islamist ideology. But neither is it an anti-religious movement; in fact, the protesters have deliberately eschewed the use of religious symbols or rhetoric. For the 'first time, the protests involve people from all sections of society and age groups, and have spread across' the country.

> The growing protests are a fight for human dignity and individual rights, centring on the recognition of women as the primary victims of the regime's male-dominated tradition and strict ideology

Drawing global attention

Iran's brutal crackdown is arousing international attention and great concern. The American government and other western officials and rights activists have sought to remove Iran from the U.N.'s Commission on the Status of Women, the body focused on gender equality and the empowerment of women. The European Union, like the United States, has sanctioned regime officials responsible for the crackdown on the Iranian protesters. The UN Security Council has met informally to discuss Iran's human rights violations and member countries decided to give the movement moral support. Apart from official statements, civil society across the globe has shown solidarity with the Iran movement by holding massive rallies. In India, activists have publicly cut their hair and burnt the hijab. But it is also true that these manifestations of support have drawn criticism for being selective. These critics say women cannot be coerced into either wearing or not wearing the hijab and feminism should be equally applied whether it is a question of the rights of women in Iran or India, a pertinent reference to the Karnataka government's hijab ban on Muslim students in government educational institutions.

On its capacity to result in change

A relevant question, however, is whether such protests have any potential to change the attitudes of a doctrinaire regime such as those in Iran and Afghanistan. In Iran's case, without a charismatic leader and a political agenda it will be difficult to disturb the regime, which is determined not to budge. Precedents show it has mastered the capability to suppress dissent through its decades-long Internet control, vigilantism, stifling of civic activism and draconian policing methods. The evidence of history, from France in the 1780s to Sri Lanka of today, is conclusive that no regime, however unpopular, can be overturned by a people's movement without the army switching sides to support the people.

This is not to argue that people across the world should then stop showing solidarity with the protesters. The death of Mahsa Amini and the disappearance on September 20 of 16-year-old Nika Shahkarami, whose death was only disclosed to her parents after 10 days, have become symbols that have galvanised the demonstrations and bestowed momentum to a nation-wide movement led by Iranian women and young people. It can only be hoped that in the near future, the plight of Afghan women under the repressive Taliban – and indeed of all disadvantaged females across the world – will receive equal attention and support from the international media and the international community.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EWS quota verdict

I write this letter as the former Acting Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court and with reference to the Editorial page article, "In EWS verdict, a discrimination antithetical to equality" (November 12). I disagree with the writer's stand and endorse the view of the majority in the judgment. The affirmative action of the state through reservation itself was intended to be a temporary measure, which has been prolonged and stretched beyond a reasonable time period; it has become a political tool. The negative fallout of caste-based reservations and the incalculable damage it has done to meritocracy has led to today's reality: of work inefficiency, growing corruption and inaction, and even an increase in the workload of courts. This has not been measured by anyone, but largely felt and decried by large sections of people and students in the General Category. The additional quota for reservation provided by the 103rd Amendment to economically weaker persons belonging to such a general category was to balance and soothe some of the heart burn by making it based on economic criteria for sections other than those already getting the benefit of reservation. Opposing this is akin to saying "my toy is mine, even yours is mine", which the article writer wants to justify. The time has come for the leadership to ensure "One nation, one policy" for public employment and admissions in educational institutions. Provide succour and support to economically weaker sections across the board through other means and forget caste and religion. Why divide the nation on the basis of caste and religion? Everyone knows the answer but no one wants to proclaim it, which is the real tragedy.

Vineet Kothari,
Jodhpur, Rajasthan

In poor taste

The views and the wishes expressed by the released convict in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case, Nalini Sriharan, to media outlets are not in good taste. It appears as though she was released following a noble cause (Inside pages, "Nalini hopeful of visiting U.K. with husband to be with her daughter", November 14). Her interactions with the media, as if she is a VIP, and her detailing her plans are way too much. Her release from prison does not certify her innocence in the heinous crime. The glorification must stop.

D. Sethuraman,
Chennai

Corrections & Clarifications

The table indicating interest rates on fixed deposits (Moneywise page, November 14, 2022) erroneously gave the interest rate for 1-year FD for HDFC Bank as 5.50%. The correct rate is 6.10%.

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Where no child is left behind

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It is alarming that India ranks 132 out of 191 countries in the 2021 Human Development Index, which is a measure of a nation's health, average income, and education.

The National Education Policy (NEP) of 2020 states, "A National Mission on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy will be set up... on priority... for attaining universal foundational literacy and numeracy in all primary schools, identifying state-wise targets and goals to be achieved by 2025, and closely tracking and monitoring progress of the same." How do we achieve this ambitious objective?

Efforts over the years

Ever since the 1990 World Declaration on Education for All at the Jomtien Conference, concerted efforts have been made to bring all children to school. Even before the conference, in 1987, the Shiksha Karmi Project was started in schools to tackle teacher absenteeism in remote villages in Rajasthan. Active involvement of the local communities was a crucial part of the project. By supporting and training local persons, the project succeeded in creating teachers. The premise was to focus on the basics of teaching through practice. Unfortunately, this lesson is given up when we work with regular teachers.

The Bihar Education Project was introduced in the early 1990s to give a fillip to the universalisation of primary education. It developed a 10-day residential in-service training for teachers, called the Ujala module. This proved to be a challenge as communities viewed understaffed and dilapidated schools only as election booths.

The Lok Jumbish, or Peoples Movement for Education for All, was launched in 1992 in Rajasthan. By providing a thrust to innovations and emphasising civil society partnership, this programme demonstrated successes, especially in tribal districts. However, the inertia of the mainstream continued to reign supreme.

In 1993, the Supreme Court ruled in *Unni Krishnan v. State Of Andhra Pradesh* that the right to education for children up to age 14 is central and fundamental. The District Primary Education Programme was started in 1994, to universalise and transform the quality of primary education. This too remained a project as Directorates did not own the initiatives fully.

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, aimed at the universalisation of elementary education, was launched in 2001. While it has made a difference to school participation and has brought about improvement in school infrastructure, uniforms, toilet access, water and textbook availability, classroom processes still remain a challenge.

We have still not figured out a systemic way of recruiting good teachers and establishing teacher development institutions. The recruitment of teachers, educators and administrators has to become a priority if we want to make a difference. The Central, State and local governments need to transform governance to ensure that everyone delivers their best. We should ensure that there are direct funds to schools, no teacher vacancies, fewer non-teaching tasks, and a vibrant community and panchayat connect for accountability.

Giving communities power

While many efforts have indeed been made, we still need to work on community connect and parental involvement. Panchayats and community collectives with very high social capital, such as women self-help groups, can help ensure that local households own the initiative. Panchayats can leverage resources. Communities can both enable and discipline teachers if funds, functions and functionaries are their responsibility. The Panchayati Raj, Rural and Urban Development Ministries can work on community connect and make learning outcomes a responsibility of local governments. Providing decentralised funds to schools with the community overseeing such funds is the best starting point towards achieving the NEP objective.

It is poor governance that affects the effectiveness of face-to-face or digital teacher development initiatives like Nishtha. Pratham's Read India campaign and the Azim Premji Foundation's large-scale efforts to improve government schools by providing district-/block-level support to schools and teachers also suffer due to poor governance of schools and teachers.

There are many innovations in the civil society space, such as by Gyan Shala, Saksham, the Central Square Foundation, Room to Read, and Akshara, but many of them are not initiatives aimed at improving mass education. The Sampark Foundation provides some answers to the aforementioned challenges. The Foundation uses technology for teacher development. It uses audio battery-operated sound boxes and innovative teaching learning materials. It has also launched a TV, which helps teachers use lesson plans, content videos, activity videos and worksheets to make classes more interactive and joyful. While it is too early to comment on the success of these initiatives, these appear to be sound methods to overcome teacher incompetency through the use of technology.

The time between preschool and Class 3 can be transformational for individuals. It is time for everyone from the Panchayat level to the Prime Minister to ensure that all children are in school and are learning by 2025. Foundational literacy and numeracy are necessary to prepare a generation of learners who will secure for India high rates of economic progress and human well-being. The time to act is now.

To achieve the objective of foundational literacy and numeracy in all primary schools, we need to especially focus on community connects and parental involvement

A surprising stand on EWS

The AIADMK seems to have taken a risk by supporting the verdict

STATE OF PLAY

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Political parties in Tamil Nadu reacted largely on expected lines to the Supreme Court verdict, by a 3:2 majority, upholding the validity of the Constitution Amendment providing for a 10% quota to economically weaker sections (EWS) of the general category. The State has a long history of political struggle for reservation in education and employment for socially and educationally backward classes. The ruling Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) quickly expressed its disapproval of the verdict, even though a couple of political parties in the State supported the development.

The DMK was quick to seize the opportunity to mobilise political opinion against the verdict. Within hours of the judgment being delivered, party president and Chief Minister M.K. Stalin termed it a "setback to our century-long crusade for social justice." During an all-party meeting in the State Assembly on November 12, chaired by the Chief Minister, a resolution was adopted rejecting the 103rd Constitution Amendment. The parties have also decided to file a review petition against the Supreme Court verdict of November 7.

At the meeting, Mr. Stalin said that if accepted, the Constitution Amendment would "obliterate the principle of social justice." He was apprehensive that the phrase "socially and educationally backward" [in the Constitution] would be replaced everywhere with "economically [backward]."

A majority of the parties in the State, including the Communist Party of India, the Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam, the Pattali Makkal Katchi, and the Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi were on the same page as the ruling party on the issue. However, the Congress, the Communist Party of India (Marxist), and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) supported the verdict. (The national leadership of the Congress has since started a "political review" of its position on the issue.) There was nothing surprising about the support of the three national parties, as this was also their stand in July 2019 when the then All-India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) regime held a meeting of various parties to discuss implementation of the quota law.

But what came as a surprise was the AIADMK'S stand. Five days after the court upheld the law, the party announced that it accepted the judgment. This is the same party which, while in power, was opposed to reservation based on economic criteria. It chose not to implement it despite the offer of the Medical Council of India (now called the National Medical Commission) in 2019 to increase the intake of medical students by 25% if the State came forward to implement the quota. The AIADMK and its ally, the BJP, boycotted the November 12 meeting.

On the eve of the meeting, the DMK declared that it was hopeful of securing a stay on the judgment. Its optimism stems from the struggle for reservation in the State. Corrective measures such as the first Constitution Amendment of 1951, adopted to provide reservation in education and employment for socially and educationally backward classes, and the State's 69% reservation system for Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, which got a constitutional safeguard in 1993-94, became possible because of the opposition of Tamil Nadu's political class to what it viewed as threats to the cherished principles of the State's quota scheme.

Seasoned politicians still debate how AIADMK founder, M.G. Ramachandran (MGR), who was Chief Minister (except for a brief interregnum) between 1977 and 1987, had to suffer a drubbing in the 1980 Lok Sabha elections, months after he strongly advocated the concept of 'creamy layer' among the backward classes. In July 1979, MGR floated the idea of including economic criterion as the basis for determining backwardness for the provision of educational facilities. Though it is a moot point whether his party would have won otherwise, as it was on the weaker side arithmetically against the formidable combination of the DMK and the Congress, it is an indisputable fact that MGR not only withdrew his decision on the creamy layer, but also hiked the quantum of reservation from 31% to 50% after the polls.

Given this historical context, the AIADMK leadership seems to have taken a risk by supporting the EWS quota. It remains to be seen whether the party will stick to its position.

Climate change debates stall while the Earth heats up

With carbon emissions rising, temperatures are increasing, ice is thinning, oceans are getting warmer and sea levels are going up

DATA POINT

The Hindu Data Team

The climate summit in Egypt has entered its final week, but news reports indicate that progress has been less than satisfactory. No agreement has been reached yet on the 'loss and damage' fund, to help vulnerable countries cope with the damage caused by floods, drought and other climate events, according to Reuters. After much debate, the plan to give immediate aid to victims of climate disasters was finalised on Monday. However, some countries with limited resources have expressed concern about the scheme's focus on insurance as it will lead to steeper premiums.

The debate on carbon offset credits has been slow. Such credits allow countries or companies to pay others to cut greenhouse gas emissions. Countries have already pushed to 2023 the decision on which kinds of projects can produce credits - from solar farms to projects to avoid deforestation.

According to an AP report, India surprised some nations last week by pushing for a deal to phase down all fossil fuels – oil and gas as well as coal – rather than just focusing on coal, which is what countries agreed upon at last year's meeting. Oil and gas-exporting nations, including the U.S., may oppose this idea because it could hurt demand for their fossil fuels. The climate talks are expected to end on Friday, but they may continue into the weekend.

Meanwhile, a report released at the climate conference shows that emissions from coal, gas and oil are set to reach record levels by the end of 2022. While heated debates on the ways of tackling climate change rage on, the Earth is heating up at a faster rate now as higher levels of greenhouse gasses are being released into the atmosphere. This is causing ice to melt, oceans to become warmer and sea levels to rise.

Chart 1 shows the annual CO_2 emissions by regions in billion tonnes. Data are sourced from Our World in Data. There is no sign of a peak yet, with emissions rising every year. China and the U.S. are the two biggest polluters. While India's share is on the rise, the European Union's contribution is waning.

Due to the rise in emissions, global atmospheric CO_2 concentration has continued its near-vertical increase, which started with the industrial revolution (**Chart 2**). Global atmospheric CO_2 concentration has reached 419 parts per million.

The rise in CO_2 concentration has continued to cause a rise in global surface temperature. **Chart 3** shows the change in global surface temperature compared to the long-term average between 1951 and 1980. According to NASA, "nineteen of the hottest years have occurred since 2000, with the exception of 1998. The year 2020 tied with 2016 for the hottest year on record since record keeping began in 1880".

Antarctica is losing ice mass due to increasing temperatures. **Chart 4** shows Antarctica's ice mass measurement by NASA satellites. Since 2002, Antarctica's ice mass has varied at the rate of 151 billion metric tonnes per year.

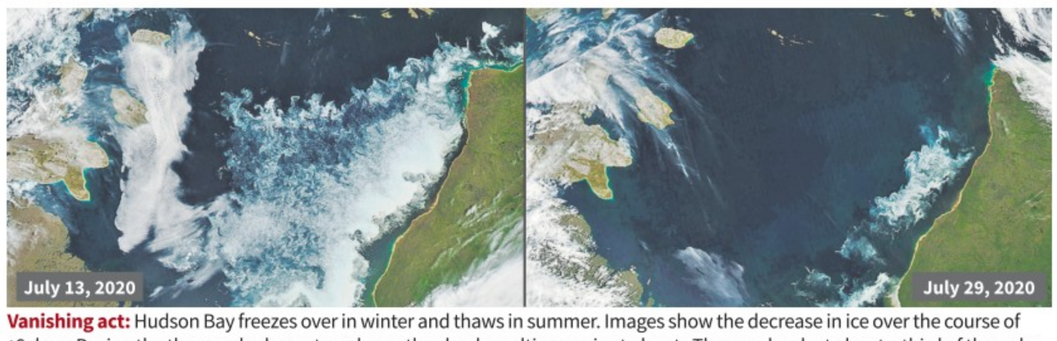
Oceans too have been getting warmer because of rising temperatures. **Chart 5** plots ocean heat content changes since 1955. Each data point in the chart represents a five-year average. The temperature of oceans has warmed up by 337 zettajoules since 1955.

With ice sheets melting, there is now more water in the oceans. And the warming of oceans is causing water to expand, leading to a rise in sea levels. **Chart 6** plots the sea level change in mm. Since January 1993, the global sea level has increased by 102.5 mm.

With inputs from AP, AFP and Reuters

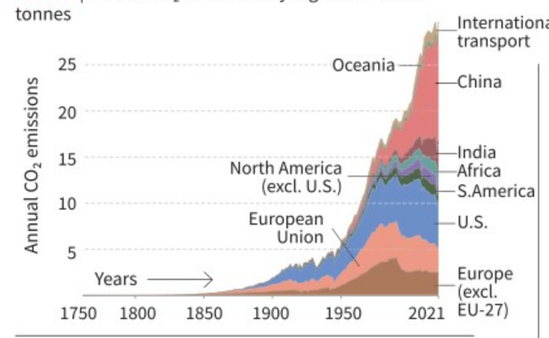
Climate change waits for none

The charts are sourced from Our World In Data and NASA. The charts show a chain of events: CO2 emissions lead to a rise in temperature, which in turn causes ice to melt, oceans to become warmer and leads to an increase in sea levels



Vanishing act: Hudson Bay freezes over in winter and thaws in summer. Images show the decrease in ice over the course of 16 days. During the thaw, polar bears travel over the slowly melting sea ice to hunt. The area has lost about a third of the polar bear population since the 1980s, apparently because declining summer sea ice has given them less opportunity to feed. NASA

Chart 1 | Annual CO_2 emissions by regions in billion tonnes



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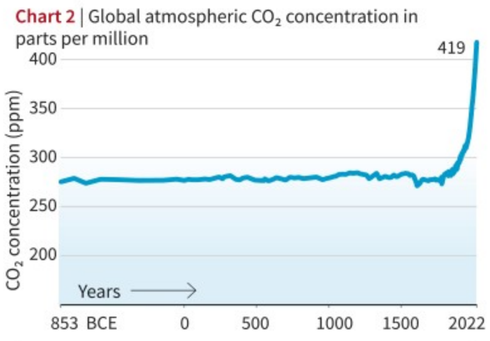


Chart 3 | Temperature anomaly (°C) compared to the average between 1951 and 1980

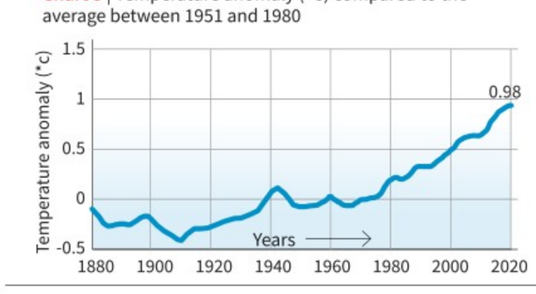


Chart 4 | Antartic ice mass measurement in gigatonnes (Gt). One Gt = 10^9 tonnes. Gap represents time between missions

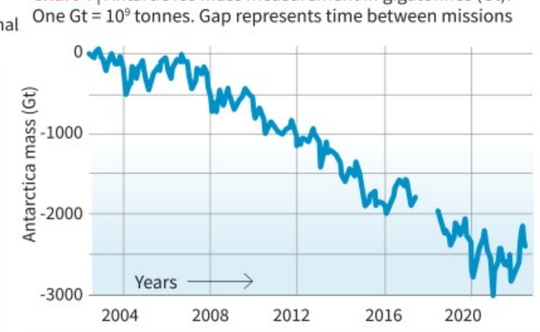
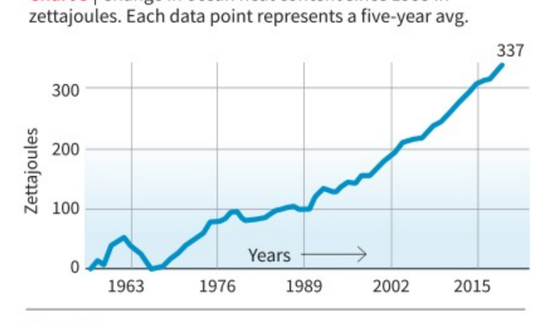


Chart 5 | Change in ocean heat content since 1955 in zettajoules. Each data point represents a five-year avg.



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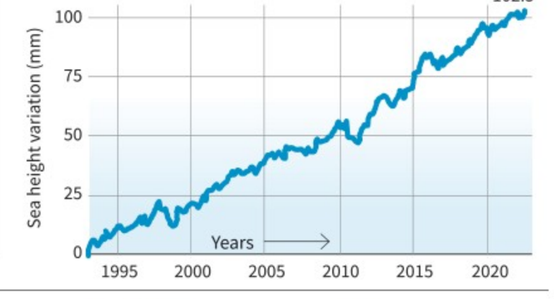

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Hindu.

FIFTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 15, 1972

Death penalty for wrecking trains: Act to be amended

New Delhi, Nov. 14: Punishment for offences like trespass of railway property, wrecking of trains and wanton destruction of tracks is proposed to be made deterrent by an amendment of the Indian Railway Act, Mr. T.A. Pai, Railway Minister, told the Lok Sabha during question-time to-day. Replying to a question of Mr. Gangadeb, Mr. Pai said the amendment proposed to provide death penalty in case death had resulted by the wrecking of trains. It was also proposed in these cases to raise the punishment for initial convictions to three years and subsequent convictions to seven years. Imprisonment up to ten years would be provided for wanton destruction of track. Mr. Pai said it was unfortunate that whenever there were agitations, railway property attracted the most damage. He would appeal to the members to endorse the view that whenever a railway station was destroyed it should not be repaired for sometime so that people of the area might feel the lack of the facility. Mr. A.P. Sharma asked whether the Government would consider the imposition of fine on the people of the area in such circumstances. Mr. Pai said the suggestion would be considered. Mr. H.C. Kachwal and Mr. Jyotirmoy Bosu wanted to know whether there was any hand of the CIA in the destruction of railway property. The Minister did not reply. In a statement made in reply to the main question, Mr. Pai said seven railway systems suffered a total loss of Rs. 4.39 lakhs during disturbances in September and October in Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu.

A HUNDRED YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 15, 1922

Long distance telephony

Calcutta, Nov. 11: The "Statesman" states today that a successful experiment in long distance telephony was directed on Sunday by Mr. G.P. Roy, Chief Engineer of the Telegraph Department, conversations being carried on over 703 miles of telephone wire from Calcutta to Nagpur. This, it is claimed, is the longest distance ever attempted without repeating instruments by any telephone system in the world. Mr. Roy said to a representative of the paper that he expected to open telephone communication between Calcutta and Bombay in about three months.

From Page One

Atomic energy, hydrogen in India's net zero plan

India "aspires" to maximise the use of electric vehicles, with ethanol blending to reach 20% by 2025 (it is currently 10%) and a "strong shift" to public transport for passenger and freight traffic. India will also focus on improving energy efficiency by the Perform, Achieve and Trade (PAT) scheme, the National Hydrogen Mission, increasing electrification, enhancing material efficiency, and recycling and ways to reduce emissions.

India's forest and tree cover is a net carbon sink absorbing 15% of carbon dioxide emissions in 2016, and the country is on track to fulfilling its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) commitment of 2.5 to 3 billion tonnes of additional carbon sequestration in forest and tree cover by 2030, the document notes.

The NDCs are voluntary commitments by countries to reduce emissions by a fixed number relative to a date in the past to achieve the long-term goal of climate agreements of preventing global temperature rising beyond 1.5 or 2 degrees Celsius by the end of the century. Thus, India's most updated NDC commits to ensuring half its electricity is derived from non-fossil fuel sources by 2030, and reducing the emissions intensity by 45% below 2005 levels by 2030. The LT-LEDS are qualitative in nature and are a requirement emanating from the 2015 Paris Agreement whereby countries must explain how they will transition their economies beyond achieving near-term NDC targets, and work towards the larger climate objective of cutting emissions by 45% by 2030 and achieve net zero around 2050. This is what, scientists say, offers the best chance of keeping temperature rise below 1.5 degrees Celsius.

The document, however, also underlined that this transition entailed costs ranging in "trillion dollars" that the developed countries, responsible for the existing carbon accumulation, ought to be making good. "The transition to low carbon development pathway will entail several costs pertaining to the development of new technologies, new infrastructure, and other transaction costs. While several estimates exist, varying across studies, they all fall generally in the range of trillions of dollars by 2050. Provision of climate finance by developed countries will play a very significant role and needs to be considerably enhanced, in the form of grants and concessional loans, ensuring scale, scope and speed, predominantly from public sources, in accordance with the principles of the UNFCCC," the document noted.

Retail inflation cools to 6.77% in October

The Finance Ministry attributed the significant decline in retail inflation in October mainly to a decrease in food price inflation, driven significantly by "the decline in prices of vegetables, fruits, pulses and oils & fats".

"Prices of commodities like crude oil, iron ore & steel sobered in global markets. This, coupled with measures taken by the government to rationalise tariff structures of major inputs to augment domestic supply, helped to keep cost-push inflation in consumer items under control," it said in a statement. The impact of trade-related measures taken by the government on wheat and rice to keep domestic supplies steady and curb the rise in prices, is expected to be felt more significantly in the coming months, the Ministry said.

"Rural India has witnessed higher inflation as food prices are higher here and have a higher share in the basket," explained Bank of Baroda chief economist Madan Sabnavis. Food prices remain a risk to the inflation trajectory as vegetable prices and cereals have increased and don't show signs of moderating right now, he added.

On a sequential basis, the Consumer Price Index was 0.8% higher in October compared with September, while the Consumer Food Price Index was up 1.1%.

'Forced conversion may affect national security'

Mr. Mehta said the word "propagate" had come up for consideration in the Constituent Assembly debates. "It was decided that the term did not mean forcible conversions," the law officer said.

He submitted that the court had dealt with the Acts passed by Madhya Pradesh and Odisha against forcible conversion and had held that "freedom of conscience of every person includes freedom not to be allowed to change his conscience and convert..." The Solicitor-General was referring to the 1997 judgment by a Constitution Bench in *Rev. Stainislaus vs State of Madhya Pradesh*, which had held that the word "propagate" in Article 25 did not give "the right to convert another person to one's own religion, but to transmit or spread one's religion by an exposition of its tenets". The Constitution Bench had also held there was "no fundamental right to convert another person to one's own religion".

"If a person purposely undertakes the conversion of another person to his religion, as distinguished from his effort to transmit or spread the tenets of his religion, that would impinge on the 'freedom of conscience' guaranteed to all the citizens of the country alike," the 1977 judgment had reasoned. Article 25(1) of the Constitution says that "subject to public order, morality and health... all persons are equally entitled to freedom of conscience and the right to freely profess, practice and propagate religion".

Centre seeks time from SC in Places of Worship Act case

CJI-led Bench ordered the govt. to file its affidavit clarifying its views by Dec. 12; Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta told the court that 'detailed consultations' are needed at a 'particular level'

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Union government on Monday sought more time from the Supreme Court to clarify its stand on the validity of the Places of Worship Act, saying "detailed consultations" are needed at a "particular level". The 1991 Act protects the identity and character of religious places as they were on August 15, 1947.

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> **SUPREME COURT**

A Bench led by Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud ordered the Centre, represented by Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta, to file its affidavit clarifying its views by December 12. The court agreed to list the case for hearing in the first week of January. Senior advocate Rakesh Dwivedi, for petitioner Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay, said the government had sought similar adjournments in the case twice before.

On October 10, the court asked the Centre whether a Constitution Bench judgment in the Ram Janmabhoomi case had already settled the question of validity of the Act. The Ayodhya judgment had found that the 1991 Act spoke "to our history and to the future of the nation... In preserving the character of places of public worship, Parliament has mandated in no uncertain terms that history and its wrongs shall not be used as instruments to oppress the present and the future".

Mr. Mehta had ventured his personal opinion that the remarks in the Ayodhya judgment about the 1991 Act would not preclude the court from examining the validity of the statute now. "That [Ayodhya judgment] was given in a different context and may not cover the issue here," Mr. Mehta gave his opinion. Mr. Dwivedi had agreed that the comments in the Ayodhya verdict was merely *obiter dicta*.

Advocates P.B. Suresh, Vipin Nair and Vishnu Shankar Jain, appearing for petitioner Vishwa Bhadra Pujari Purohit Mahasangh, said the validity of the Act was not in question before the Constitution Bench in the Ayodhya case. A slew of petitions has been filed in the Superme Court against the Act, contending it has illegally fixed a retrospective cut-off date. The objective of these petitions is to set right a "historical wrong".

Trade with India doubled to $2 bn in past two years: Norway envoy

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

Bilateral trade between India and Norway has doubled to $2 billion over the past two years, Norway's Ambassador to India, Hans Jacob Frydenlund, said on Monday.

Speaking to journalists at *The Hindu*'s office here, Mr. Frydenlund elaborated on Norway's interests in climate investments, clean energy and ocean technology, among others. He was in the city to take part in the silver jubilee celebration of the National Institute of Ocean Technology.

Hans Jacob Frydenlund

Norway would invest $1 billion via its climate investment fund over five years worldwide, he said, adding that the quantum of funds that would be invested in India would depend on the projects. "We are quite confident that a substantial part of the investments" will find its way into Indian projects.

"India [has] large potential for solar [energy]. Most of the investment has been in solar," he added.

To a query on Norway's interest in offshore wind energy, Mr. Frydenlund said his country was working with the National Institute of Wind Energy, and many companies were active here. The difference between Norway and India when it came to wind energy was that only Tamil Nadu and Gujarat had stable wind that helped make projects viable, he added.

Asked about former Norwegian peace envoy to Sri Lanka, Erik Solheim, being back in Sri Lanka as an international climate adviser, Mr. Frydenlund said Mr. Solheim was not an official representative of Norway and was acting in his own capacity.

On whether Norway would be interested in being a mediator for ethnic and other issues in Sri Lanka, Mr. Frydenlund said, "We don't move in without being invited from both sites, we don't consider it without being invited from both sides. Because anything else would be extremely difficult."

Varanasi Court order on Gyanvapi dispute likely on Thursday

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The plea argued that the deity had the right to possess the property and Hindus had a right to pray

A Varanasi fast-track court on Monday once again deferred its order on the maintainability of an application seeking the title rights to the property on which the Gyanvapi mosque currently stands, in favour of the deity Swayambhu Jyotirlinga Bhagwan Vishweshwar and seeking unfettered rights for Hindus to pray at the property.

This comes days after the Supreme Court, hearing a plea of the Anjuman Intezamia Masjid Committee, continued interim protection of the mosque premises, while the civil suit is being heard by the district judge in Varanasi.

This application before the fast-track court was filed by one Kiran Singh, International General Secretary of the Vishwa Vedic Sanatan Sangh, on behalf of the deity as his next friend and was eventually transferred to the fast-track court of civil judge Mahendra Kumar Pandey.

The application argued that as the District court hears the civil dispute in the case, the deity had the right to possess the property and that Hindus had a right to pray there without any disturbances. The application also sought that the Masjid Committee and all of its members and "agents" be prevented from interfering with Hindu rituals and worship activities by means of a "prohibitory injunction" and that the structure currently standing there (the mosque) be "removed".

The Supreme Court had earlier this year maintained that no Muslim should be prevented from worshipping at the site and that the area of dispute should be protected.

In response to Ms. Singh's application, the Committee had filed an application under Order 7 Rule 11 of the Civil Code of Procedure, calling into question the maintainability of the application. Civil judge Pandey reserved his orders on the maintainability on October 27.

The order was listed next for November 8 but was deferred as the judge was on leave and subsequently listed for Monday, when the judge again deferred it. The order is now expected to be delivered on November 17, when the matter is listed for next hearing, Advocate Shivam Gaur told *The Hindu*. Mr. Gaur and his team are representing Ms. Singh.

Significantly, Ms. Singh is related to Jitender Singh Visen, the chief of VVSS, and Rakhi Singh, who is listed as the lead plaintiff in the main civil dispute over the property, currently being heard by District Judge A.K. Vishvesha.

In the matter before the district court, Ms. Rakhi Singh and four other Hindu women have sought the right to pray to Maa Shringar Gauri and other visible and invisible Hindu deities at the Gyanvapi mosque premises all year round. The Masjid panel had challenged this application's maintainability but the district court ruled in favour of the Hindu plaintiffs, paving the way for the suit to be tried. The Masjid panel has challenged this order in the Allahabad High Court, which is hearing arguments on this.

U.P. farmers upset as govt. unlikely to give out SAP for sugar cane

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NEW DELHI

The Uttar Pradesh government is expecting a bumper crop as sugar cane harvest is at the peak in the State, but it is unlikely to announce the State Advised Price (SAP) for sugar cane for this season.

Though farmers have been demanding an increase in the SAP considering the higher input cost, Uttar Pradesh Sugarcane Minister Laxmi Narayan Chaudhary told *The Hindu* that such a proposal is not before the Cabinet at present. The State government's claim is that the SAP announced in 2021 is among the highest in the country. Farmers said though the harvest of sugar cane started in October first week and the sugar mills have started crushing the produce for more than a month-and-a-half, the delay in announcing the SAP is condemnable.

Mr. Chaudhary told *The Hindu* that Uttar Pradesh has the highest SAP after Punjab and Haryana. "At present, last year's SAP will continue. The Cabinet is yet to consider any demand to increase the SAP. Till a decision to increase the SAP is taken, last year's SAP will continue," he said.

BJP rakes up Kashmir issue on Nehru's birthday; Cong. says Ministers are abusers

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Launching a fresh attack on India's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru over his handling of the Kashmir issue on the latter's 133rd birth anniversary, Law Minister Kiren Rijiju on Monday claimed that Nehru moved the United Nations (UN) under the wrong Article after Pakistan's invasion and thereby made it a party to the dispute instead of an aggressor. Minister Hardeep Puri also called the move a "monumental blunder"

Kiren Rijiju

and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi shared Mr. Rijiju's opinion on his Twitter handle.

Hitting back, Congress general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal said Prime Minister Narendra Modi had opened a department that is regularly used by Ministers to abuse national leaders.

Former Jawaharlal Nehru University Professor Purushottam Agrawal urged Mr. Rijiju to know the difference between "accession and standstill" by the erstwhile Jammu & Kashmir ruler Hari Singh.

In his fresh attack, the Law Minister said Nehru had let the "myth" of a UN-mandated plebiscite perpetuate and created the "divisive" Article 370 of the Constitution.

Stone quarry collapses in Mizoram, 12 feared dead

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI

At least 12 people were feared trapped after a stone quarry on a hill slope collapsed in Hnahthial district in Mizoram on Monday, officials said. The collapse at Maudarh village occurred around 2.40 p.m. when workers engaged by the ABCI Infrastructure Private Limited were working in the quarry.

Mizoram's Additional Secretary of Disaster Management and Rehabilitation Department, Lalhriatpuia said 15 people were believed to be on the site when it collapsed.

Modi govt. following the policy of 'divide and rule', says Kharge

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge on Monday targeted the Narendra Modi government for following a policy of "changing names" instead of focusing on work, and accused it of ignoring the development witnessed under previous Congress regimes.

Mr. Kharge said the Modi government followed the policy of "divide and rule" and the government was "not a democratic one". He made these remarks at an event where the Nehru Memorial Lecture was delivered by noted scholar and former Professor of Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Purushottam Agrawal, at the Jawahar Bhavan.

"Earlier, the Nehru Memorial Lecture used to happen at Teen Murti Bhavan where his [Nehru's] views and ideas were put forward. But this government is not even allowing giving place there for putting forward Nehru's ideas," Mr. Kharge said. The Congress chief said Prime Minister Modi often asked what happened in the country in the last 70 years, and added that the answer to that lay in the figures of life expectancy, economy, irrigation projects and dams.

Tribute to Nehru: Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and K.C. Venugopal during the Nehru Memorial lecture on Monday. PTI

"Their [the BJP's] work is to divide and rule, and that is why [Congress leader] Rahul Gandhi has undertaken the Bharat Jodo Yatra," Mr. Kharge said.

Recalling that he had started a train service from Mysuru to Varanasi when he was the Railway Minister, Mr. Kharge said Mr. Modi claimed credit for it during his recent visit to Karnataka. "I was wondering what happened to my engine. Then I realised the train has now been named as fast train," Mr. Kharge said, referring to Mr. Modi flagging off Vande Bharat Express at the Krantiveera Sangolli railway station in Bengaluru on Friday.

He also slammed Mr. Modi for his remarks that he received "two-three kg" of abuses daily, and claimed that people had started ascertaining facts themselves. Mr. Kharge accused the BJP of trying to appropriate Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and pointed out that he was a Congressman. "If you consider him your own, also follow his principles," he said.

Professor Agrawal spoke on the relevance of Nehru in the 21st century and the attempts to malign his legacy through false narratives. He said "our times are indeed post-truth times" and anyone can claim his or her own alternative facts and "post-truth is the first step towards fascism".

Graft is a big problem in Uttarakhand: former CM

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

In a video that went viral on social media, former Uttarakhand Chief Minister and MP Tirath Singh Rawat is heard saying that "commission *khori*" (corruption) is the biggest problem in the hill State. The video is causing a major embarrassment to the BJP government.

During an interview to a national media channel, Mr. Rawat said that after the creation of Uttarakhand from Uttar Pradesh in 2000, the issue of 'corruption' should have come to zero, "but the practice of commission *khori* continued and we began with 20% here in Uttarakhand. It is irony".

The former Chief Minister said that he would not blame any one person for the "corruption" as it was a "mentality" which would not change unless one started considering the State as his/her family.

While the Congress attacked the government on Mr. Rawat's statement, the BJP's media in-charge, Manvir Singh Chauhan, said that he had his own point of view.

Across Gujarat, dissidents give a tough time to BJP and Congress

Both parties engage in damage control exercise, giving into popular demand in a few seats even as others remain contested; Amit Shah had held a marathon meeting with State party leaders in an effort to manage the dissidence

The Hindu Bureau
AHMEDABAD

The ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and Opposition Congress, whose leaders are engaged in candidate selection in the State, are facing dissidents in several constituencies. While the ruling party is yet to name 16 candidates for crucial seats in Ahmedabad and north Gujarat, the Opposition party has not named more than 30 candidates for central and north Gujarat regions.

The BJP faces dissidence and rebellion by party cadre in around a dozen seats in south Gujarat and Saurashtra.

On Monday, more than 1,000 supporters of former MLA Dhawal Zala arrived at the BJP State headquarters in Gandhinagar, demanding that he be declared the candidate for the Bayad seat in north Gujarat. The party has selected former MLA Bhikhiben for the seat.

Similarly, supporters of former Minister Ranchhod Rabari held a show of strength in Patan, demanding nomination for him after the local media reported that the former Minister was unlikely to be fielded by the party. The BJP is yet to name the candidate for Patan.

The Congress, on its part, had angry workers rush to the party headquarters in the city after it released the candidate list late Sunday night. The party workers demanded changes in several constituencies such as Vatva in Ahmedabad city.

On Sunday, the two parties were forced to change the candidates for the Vadhwan and Botad seats.

The BJP had first announced Jignaben Pandya for the Vadhwan seat in Saurashtra but supporters of Jagdish Makwana, an OBC leader and Surendranagar district BJP president, held protests, forcing the party to replace Mr. Pandya with Mr. Makwana.

Similarly in Botad, the Opposition party first named Ramesh Mer as its candidate, but the supporters of another contender, Manhar Patel, threatened to work against the party if the latter was not fielded. Subsequently, the party replaced Mr. Mer, a OBC leader, with Manhar Patel, a Patidar.

To manage the dissidents, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday evening held a marathon meeting with the State BJP leaders in an effort at damage control.

Selection woes: Union Home Minister Amit Shah waving to supporters on his arrival in Ahmedabad to meet BJP workers ahead of the Gujarat Assembly election. PTI

Legislators resign

On Monday, former legislators Jagat Vasava from Dediapada and Mohan Vala from Kodinar resigned from the ruling party after they were denied ticket.

Elections to the 182-member Gujarat Assembly will be held in two phases on December 1 and 5. The counting of votes will be taken up on December 8.

For the first phase, 89 seats of Saurashtra and south Gujarat will go to the polls on December 1. Monday was the last day for filing of nominations.

For the remaining 93 seats in the State, the polling will be held on December 5. November 17 is the last day to file nomination papers.

Congress appoints big team of observers for Gujarat election

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

According to Congress sources, Rahul Gandhi is also likely to campaign for the election

Barely two weeks before the first phase of voting in Gujarat, the Congress on Monday announced a massive team of poll observers to supervise the party's campaign in the State.

The All India Congress Committee (AICC) has divided the State into different zones and appointed an observer for each of the 26 Lok Sabha constituencies in the State.

A statement from AICC general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal stated that Mukul Wasnik will be the party observer for the south zone headquartered in Surat, while Mohan Prakash will oversee the polls in the Saurashtra zone, headquartered at Rajkot.

Former Maharashtra Chief Minister Prithviraj Chavan will be stationed at Baroda to oversee the campaign in the central region. B.K. Hariprasad and K.H. Muniyappa will look after the north zone, with Ahmedabad as the headquarters.

The AICC appointed Shakeel Ahmed Khan, Rajesh Lilothia and Jai Kishan as general observers, while Shivaji Rao Moge is an observer for south Gujarat. Kantilal Bhuria has been assigned central Gujarat.

Campaign criticism

The appointment of observers comes amid criticism that the Congress is hardly visible in its Gujarat campaign when compared to newcomer Aam Admi Party (AAP) that has run an aggressive campaign to take on the 27-year-old rule of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the State.

Sources in the Congress said former party chief Rahul Gandhi is likely to campaign. His extensive campaigning in the 2017 Assembly election helped the party win 77 seats. Plans are still being worked out on whether Mr. Gandhi will attend physical rallies on the rest days of the Bharat Jodo Yatra or address digital rallies.

It's a tough pitch for Riva Jadeja in Gujarat's Jamnagar

Sobhana K. Nair
JAMNAGAR

It is not a straight pitch for cricketer Ravindra Jadeja's wife Riva Jadeja, who is taking guard in electoral politics at Jamnagar North as the BJP candidate in the Assembly election in Gujarat. She is less than three years old in the party but has already caused disruption, with the BJP choosing her over the incumbent legislator, Dharmendrasinh M. Jadeja, better known as Hakubha.

The MLA was dropped after the High Court declined to withdraw criminal proceedings against him in a rioting case. Hakubha has represented the seat twice. In the 2012 Assembly election, he won it on a Congress ticket and in 2017 as a BJP candidate.

When *The Hindu* met Ms. Jadeja on Sunday, her campaign had not yet formally started. Instead, she was busy putting the house in order, by meeting the BJP's office-bearers in various municipal wards, imploring them to treat her as their own *dikri* or *bahu* (daughter or daughter-in-law).

These are also "meet-and-greet" events, where she is introduced to the BJP workers she is not acquainted with.

Sipping tea from tiny paper cups and between several rounds of photographs, things are settled. The entire programme is over in around 40 minutes and she has another six destinations to reach before she can call it a day.

Riva Solanki or Riva-*ba* (*Ba* is an appellation used in Gujarati mostly for older women or out of respect) and Mr. Jadeja married in 2016; the couple has a five-year-old daughter.

Though this is Ms. Jadeja's maiden election, she is not alien to politics. Her uncle Hari Singh Solanki has been a senior Congress leader at Rajkot; now he has switched over to the BJP.

Her sister-in-law is with the Congress. She herself

Riva Jadeja

had a stint in Karni Sena, an organisation that often hits headlines for its protests against Hindi films.

"Since the ninth standard, I wanted to be an IAS officer to serve the country and society. But before I could really give it a shot, I got married and had my daughter. I had begun to feel that my own goals and aspirations were being left behind," she recalls.

She gives credit to her husband for inspiring her to join politics and the turning point, she says, was the couple's meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2018.

Ms. Jadeja dismisses the challenge posed by the Aam Aadmi Party. "They are outsiders. Saying a few things on social media or speaking about Gujarat in rallies outside the State, do not mean a thing. A third political force has never succeeded in Gujarat and will not," she adds.

Though she may wave off the AAP, for now, Ms. Jadeja has a bigger problem on hand of keeping dissidence at bay.

According to sources, the BJP has appointed Hakubha in charge of the three seats in Jamnagar. "The BJP is a cadre-based party and we work as a cohesive unit and uniformly follow the high command's orders," she says.

A view also shared by a band of BJP workers organising these "meet and greet" events. "We only see *kamal* (Lotus). Whoever is holding our symbol, we stand behind them," Babu Bhai Chavda, BJP leader said.

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ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE CONVENING MEETING OF THE UNSECURED CREDITORS OF THE COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that by an order dated 9th November, 2022 **("Order")**, the Chennai Bench of the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal **("Hon'ble Tribunal")** has directed a meeting to be held of the Unsecured Creditors of the Company, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving with or without modification(s), proposed Composite Scheme of Arrangement amongst Sundaram - Clayton Limited ("Company") and TVS Holdings Private Limited and VS Investments Private Limited and Sundaram - Clayton DCD Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors **("Scheme")**, under Sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 **("Act")**.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, further Notice is hereby given that meeting of the Unsecured Creditors of the Company **("Meeting")** will be held on Friday, 16th December, 2022 at 12:00 P.M. (IST) via Video Conferencing **("VC")** / Other Audio Visual Means **("OAVM")**, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Act read with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and relevant Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) circulars, as applicable, to transact the business as set out in the Notice.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, the Notice of the aforesaid Meeting along with the accompanying documents, have been sent to the Unsecured Creditors through courier or e-mail.

Copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rule 6 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 **("CAA Rules")** and accompanying documents can also be accessed / downloaded from the website of the Company at www.sundaram-clayton.com; the website of National Securities Depository Limited **("NSDL")** viz. www.evoting.nsdl.com, being the agency appointed by the Company to provide the e-voting and other facilities for convening of the Meeting and the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., BSE Limited ("BSE") viz. www.bseindia.com and the National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") viz. www.nseindia.com. If so desired, person may obtain a physical copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act and Rule 6 of the CAA Rules, etc., free of charge from the registered office of the Company, or by emailing to the Company at corpsec@sundaramclayton.com.

The Hon'ble Tribunal has appointed Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar, Advocate, as the Chairperson and Mr. R. Rajesh, Advocate, as the Scrutinizer for the aforesaid Meeting.

The above mentioned Scheme, if approved by the Unsecured Creditors of the Company at the Meeting, will be subject to the subsequent sanction of the Hon'ble Tribunal and such other approvals, permissions and sanctions of regulatory or other authorities, as may be necessary.

The Unsecured Creditors of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the aforesaid Meeting may cast their votes through remote e-voting prior to the date of the Meeting or through e-voting at the meeting, by following the instructions provided in the Notice. Since the Meeting is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Unsecured Creditors has been dispensed with. A unsecured creditor may participate in the Meeting even after exercising his right to vote through remote e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the Meeting.

The cut-off date for e-voting and time period for the remote e-voting of the aforesaid Meeting is as under:

Unsecured Creditors meeting	
Cut-off date for e-voting	Monday, 31st October, 2022
Remote e-voting start date and time	Tuesday, 13th December, 2022 from 9.00 A.M. (IST)
Remote e-voting end date and time	Thursday, 15th December, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. (IST)

The remote e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time and remote e-voting module shall be forthwith disabled by NSDL upon expiry of the aforesaid period.

An Unsecured Creditor, whose name appears in the list of Unsecured Creditors of the Company, as on the cut-off date i.e. Monday, 31st October 2022 only shall be entitled to exercise his / her / its voting rights on the resolution proposed in the notice and attend the Meeting. Voting rights of the Unsecured Creditors shall be in proportion to the outstanding amount due by the Company as on the cut-off date i.e. Monday, 31st October 2022.

In case of queries relating to e-voting, Unsecured Creditors are requested to note the following contact details:

Ms Pallavi Mhatre, Manager / Mr Amit Vishal, Assistant Vice President
National Securities Depository Limited
Trade World, A wing, 4th Floor, Kamala Mills Compound, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013.
Email Id : www.evoting.nsdl.com
Contact Nos. : 18001020 990 / 1800 224 430

In case of any other queries, Unsecured Creditors are requested to note the following contact details:

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Sd/-
Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar
Chairperson appointed for the meeting of
Unsecured Creditors of the Company

Place : Chennai
Date : 14th November, 2022

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ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE CONVENING MEETING OF THE EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that by an order dated 9th November, 2022 **("Order")**, the Chennai Bench of the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal **("Hon'ble Tribunal")** has directed a meeting to be held of the Equity Shareholders of the Company, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving with or without modification(s), proposed Composite Scheme of Arrangement amongst Sundaram - Clayton Limited **("Company")** and TVS Holdings Private Limited and VS Investments Private Limited and Sundaram - Clayton DCD Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors **("Scheme")**, under Sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 **("Act")**.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, further Notice is hereby given that meeting of the Equity Shareholders of the Company **("Meeting")** will be held on Friday, 16th December, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. (IST) via Video Conferencing **("VC")** / Other Audio Visual Means **("OAVM")**, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Act read with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and relevant MCA Circulars, as applicable, to transact the business as set out in the Notice.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, the Notice of the aforesaid Meeting along with the accompanying documents, have been sent to the Equity Shareholders through courier or e-mail.

Copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rule 6 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 **("CAA Rules")** and accompanying documents can also be accessed / downloaded from the website of the Company at www.sundaram-clayton.com; the website of National Securities Depository Limited **("NSDL")** viz. www.evoting.nsdl.com, being the agency appointed by the Company to provide the e-voting and other facilities for convening of the Meeting and the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., BSE Limited ("BSE") viz. www.bseindia.com and the National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") viz. www.nseindia.com. If so desired, member may obtain a physical copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act and Rule 6 of the CAA Rules, etc., free of charge from the registered office of the Company, or by emailing to the Company at corpsec@sundaramclayton.com.

The Hon'ble Tribunal has appointed Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar, Advocate, as the Chairperson and Mr. R. Rajesh, Advocate, as the Scrutinizer for the aforesaid Meeting.

The above mentioned Scheme, if approved by the Equity Shareholders of the Company at the Meeting, will be subject to the subsequent sanction of the Hon'ble Tribunal and such other approvals, permissions and sanctions of regulatory or other authorities, as may be necessary.

The Equity Shareholders of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the aforesaid Meeting may cast their votes through remote e-voting prior to the date of the Meeting or through e-voting at the meeting, by following the instructions provided in the Notice. Since the Meeting is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Equity Shareholders has been dispensed with. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies by the equity shareholders will not be available for the meeting. A member may participate in the Meeting even after exercising his right to vote through remote e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the Meeting.

The cut-off date for e-voting and time period for the remote e-voting of the aforesaid Meeting is as under:

Equity Shareholders meeting	
Cut-off date for e-voting	Friday, 9th December, 2022
Remote e-voting start date and time	Tuesday, 13th December, 2022 from 9.00 A.M. (IST)
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The remote e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time and remote e-voting module shall be forthwith disabled by NSDL upon expiry of the aforesaid period.

An Equity Shareholder, whose name is recorded in the Register of Members or in the Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as on the cut-off date, i.e., Friday, 9th December, 2022 only shall be entitled to exercise his / her / its voting rights on the resolution proposed in the Notice and attend the Meeting. Voting rights of an Equity Shareholder / Beneficial Owner (in case of electronic shareholding) shall be in proportion to his / her / its shareholding in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date. Those persons who have acquired shares and have become Equity Shareholders of the Company after the dispatch of Notice of the Meeting by the Company and whose names appear in the Register of Members or Register of beneficial owners as on the cut-off date shall view the Notice of the Meeting on the Company's website or on the website of NSDL. Such members may obtain / generate the login ID and password by following the process stated in the Notice of the Meeting.

Equity Shareholders holding shares in physical mode, who have not registered / updated their email addresses with the Company, are requested to register / update the same by writing an application to the Company with details of Folio Number and attaching a self-attested copy of PAN card to Integrated Registry Management Services Pvt. Ltd, Registrar and Share Transfer Agents of Company at srirams@integratedindia.in or to the Company at corpsec@sundaramclayton.com.

Equity shareholders holding shares in dematerialised mode, who have not registered their e-mail addresses with their Depository Participant(s), are requested to register / update their email addresses with the Depository Participant(s) with whom they maintain their demat accounts.

In case of queries relating to e-voting, Equity Shareholders are requested to note the following contact details:

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Sd/-
Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar
Chairperson appointed for the meeting of
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INBRIEF

Mamata issues apology for Minister's remarks on Murmu

Three days after West Bengal Minister of State for Prisons Akhil Giri made controversial remarks directed at President Droupadi Murmu, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Monday issued an apology and said the Trinamool Congress had cautioned him. "We all respect our President. She is a highly respected lady and I feel that such utterances by Akhil (Giri) are inappropriate. The party has cautioned him for the remarks," Ms. Banerjee said. The Chief Minister said that she issued an apology on behalf of her party colleague. Trinamool Congress leader Akhil Giri had made remarks on the looks of the President on Friday evening.

AICTE releases engineering books in Marathi language

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) on Monday launched books for diploma and undergraduate engineering courses in Marathi language. The books were ceremonially released by Minister for State for Education Subhas Sarkar, Minister for Higher and Technical Education in Maharashtra government Chandrakant Patil, and Chairperson of AICTE and University Grants Commission M. Jagadesh Kumar on the Kalina Campus of the University of Mumbai. At the event, Mr. Kumar said, "In countries where Nobel prizes are won, education from school to Ph.D. is provided in the vernacular language."

RSS chief unveils statue of ex-Minister Dilip Singh Judeo

Rashtriya Swayamsewak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat on Monday unveiled the statue of former Union Minister Dilip Singh Judeo, the face behind 'Ghar-Wapasi' of tribal people in Chhattisgarh, a day before *Janjatia Gaurav Divas* that celebrates the birth of tribal leader Birsa Munda. This is Mr. Bhagwat's second visit to the State in last three months as the RSS is banking on Judeo's legacy to win tribal population in this region which is set to go to the polls next year. Speaking in Jashpur, known as 'Karmabhoomi' of Judeo, Mr. Bhagwat said it feels like coming home as he is visiting a tribal area.

Work hard in the memory of Netaji, don't add holidays: SC

The Supreme Court on Monday refused to entertain a public interest petition to declare the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose a national holiday and erect a memorial to him. "The best way to recognise his contributions to the nation is to work hard and not add to the holidays," Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud said. The court said the question came within the domain of the Executive and the judiciary would not interfere. Chief Justice Chandrachud said such petitions were a waste of time. "Everything you consider desirable cannot be made an issue for judicial review," Chief Justice Chandrachud addressed advocate Jaya Sukin, appearing for K.K. Ramesh, the petitioner.

Echoes of Kashmir's long-lost Persian inflection

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Being the official language of courts and commerce in Jammu and Kashmir, Persian adorned verbal transactions in the Valley up until 1889, when Urdu replaced it under Maharaja Pratap Singh, the third Dogra ruler. Now, an exhibition of Persian manuscripts by Khwaja Muhammad Amin Darab, poet and chronogram writer, here puts a spotlight on the fast-fading language in Kashmir. The exhibition is an attempt to revive the language in the Union Territory.

A total of 73 rare manuscripts, including 11 books, written by Darab have been put on display at the Amar Singh Club in Srinagar on Monday. Among the exhibits are a chronogram on Neil Armstrong's landing on the moon, a *tahniyat nama* (congratulatory message) from traders of Srinagar to Dogra Maharaja Hari Singh on his accession to the throne in 1923 and a number of elegies of prominent scholars, including Muslim scholar and jurist Maulana Anwar Shah Kashmiri, who served as the principal of Darul Uloom, Deoband, Uttar Pradesh, prior to 1933.

"These manuscripts throw a light on Darab's way of engaging with the community, scripting invitations of prominent families, writing *marsiya* (elegy), versified *tarikhs* (dates) and inscriptions of prominent shrines and mosques in Kashmir," Saleem Beg, convener of the Indian National Trust For Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)-Kashmir, told *The Hindu*.

Khwaja Muhammad Amin Darab wrote this congratulatory messages to Maharaja Hari Singh on his coronation in 1923.

Darab, who died here in 1979, is considered among the last transmitters of traditional Muslim learning, grounded in Persian *adab* or literature, in Kashmir. He was considered a master of Persian *Qitah-i-Tarikh* (chronogram), besides *Naats* in praise of Prophet Muhammed and *Manqabats*.

At present, the remnants of Persian verses in Kashmir live in *Naats* and *Manqabats* recited in mosques and shrines. Sufiana mehfils, spiritual musical nights of the Sufi order, are still dominated by Persian poetry.

"The Mughal rule in Kashmir from 1589 saw Persian language reaching its zenith. Eminent Iranian poets visited Kashmir in the 17th century including Sa'ib Tabrizi, Abu Talib Kaleem Kashani, Muhammad Jan Qudsi Mashhadi and Mir Ilahi. All except Sa'ib died in Kashmir and were buried in Mazaar-u-Shuaraa, a graveyard reserved for the poets. Among several centres of Persian learning that emerged in the Indian subcontinent following the establishment of the Muslim rule, Kashmir enjoyed a distinct position," Professor Mufti Mudasir Farooqi, an author who teaches at the Department of English, Kashmir University, said.

From the 14th to 19th century, Persian language emerged both as the language of administration and all kinds of writing.

"Revenue and most historical records in Kashmir still have the imprint of the Persian language that is fast fading from the scene," Mr. Beg said.

Darab's life-long interest in Kashmir's contribution to Persian is also highlighted in his meticulous documentation of the works of one of Kashmir's greatest Persianate poets, Ghani Kashmiri. Also, Darab was a respected calligrapher of *Nastaliq* script evident from handwritten wedding invitations. "This exhibition is an invitation to individuals and families across the geography to preserve and share their family archives," Mr. Beg added.

Transfer plea on Twitter account case dismissed

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday dismissed a petition filed by senior advocate Sanjay Hegde to transfer his case challenging the permanent suspension of his Twitter account for allegedly re-tweeting two posts from the Delhi High Court to the top court.

A Bench led by Justice M.R. Shah also declined to intervene against the Karnataka High Court's dismissal of his plea seeking intervention in the petition filed by Twitter Inc challenging a series of blocking orders issued by the Union government.

"No case for transfer of cases is made out... Transfer petition stands dismissed. We are of the opinion that let there be one decision by one High Court so that in future, this court would have advantage of at least one High Court judgment," the Bench said.

The senior lawyer had approached the Delhi High Court in 2019 for directions to the Centre to lay down guidelines under the Information Technology Act to ensure that censorship on social media was carried out according to the Constitution.

The Delhi High Court has currently seized of Mr. Hegde's case and is likely to hear the matter on December 19.

Project to track small fishing vessels now makes progress

Third edition of the pan-India coastal defence exercise 'Sea Vigil-22' will begin today; it was started after the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks

Dinakar Peri
NEW DELHI

A delayed project to install transponders on small fishing vessels, under 20 metres in length, as part of coastal security measures instituted after the 26/11 Mumbai attacks is making progress, with a project under way in Tamil Nadu.

In a related development, the third edition of the 'pan-India' coastal defence Exercise 'Sea Vigil-22' is scheduled to be held on November 15 and 16, the Navy said on Monday. The exercise was conceptualised in 2018 to validate various measures that have been instituted towards enhancing maritime security since '26/11'.

The process of installing transponders on sub-20 metre boats, commenced with a pilot project in Tamil Nadu for 5,000 vessels, is under way, Vice-Admiral Ashok Kumar (retd), National Maritime Security Coordinator, said. To allay the concerns of fishermen, the transponders with positioning navigation systems have been modified into a two-way communication system, he said. There are close to three lakh registered fishing vessels, of which around 2.5 lakh are under 20 metres, he added.

Safety measures: An automatic identification system was made compulsory for all vessels over 20 metres in length. AFP

An Automatic Identification System (AIS) was made compulsory for all vessels above 20 metres after the 2008 terrorist attacks in Mumbai. The decision was taken by the National Committee on Strengthening Maritime and Coastal Security, headed by the Cabinet Secretary, set up to look into issues related to coastal security. However, for vessels under 20 metres, the process has been delayed for several reasons.

Verification and monitoring of a large number of fishing vessels in India has been greatly eased by the creation of the online ReALCraft (Registration and Licensing of Fishing Craft), the Indian Navy said in written response to questions from *The Hindu*.

"The exercise will be undertaken along the entire 7,516- km coastline and Exclusive Economic Zone of India and will involve all the coastal States and Union Territories along with other maritime stakeholders, including the fishing and coastal communities," the Navy said.

The exercise is a build-up towards the major Theatre Level Readiness Operational Exercise.

Was reluctant to become Bombay HC judge, says CJI

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud on Monday said he was a "little reluctant" to join as Bombay High Court judge as his appointment "took almost three years to come" and a close family member was critically ill at the time.

Chief Justice Chandrachud said he had even walked up to the then Bombay High Court Chief Justice, Y.K. Sabharwal, for permission to drop out and take his freedom back, but the latter had told him to wait for a "few months".

"When I was about to become a judge of the Bombay High Court and a little reluctant to do that... In fact, I had walked up to Chief Justice Sabharwal to tell him that, well, it had taken almost three years for my appointment to come. My late former wife was suffering from cancer and we did not know which way we were going. I told him, 'Would you give me the liberty to now take my own freedom and leave the course of action which you have chalked out for me.' He said to wait a few months," Chief Justice Chandrachud recollected at a felicitation organised by the Supreme Court Bar Association.

He became a judge of the Bombay High Court on March 29, 2000.

D.Y. Chandrachud

The top judge's words come a few days after the Supreme Court criticised the Centre for inexplicably withholding names recommended by the Collegium.

Chief Justice Chandrachud said judicial vacancies were the "chief problem of today". He said 25% of the posts in the district judiciary and 30% of the sanctioned strength of judges in the State judiciary were vacant. The Supreme Court has seven vacancies.

The CJI, who has a comparatively long tenure of two years, said, "I am not here to do miracles. Challenges are high and perhaps expectations are great."

He said reforms such as transparent listing of cases and use of technology, in order to remove the element of human interface, needed to be institutionalised in the Supreme Court and should not depend on who the Chief Justice was.

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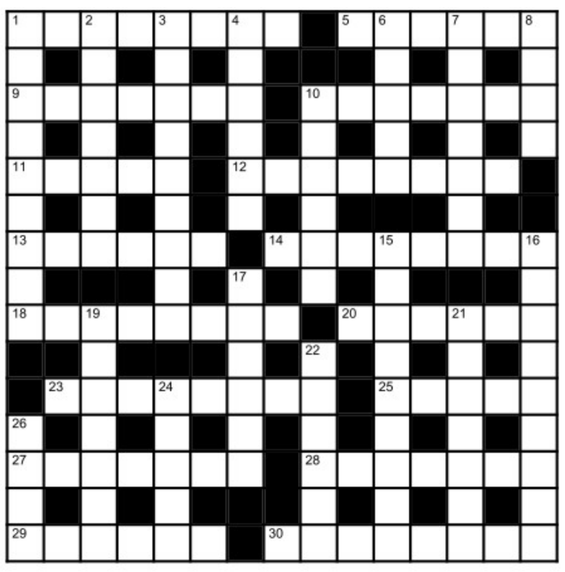

Across

1 Side-effects of experiment unexpectedly create more of the same? (2,6)
5 Somehow, er, appropriate without a proper arrangement!? (6)
9 Mode of arrest backed in economic aid rackets (7)
10 Approaches victory, overwhelmed by strange unease (7)
11 Correct to reject country's leader and god? Critical! (5)
12 Friend has ideas about fence (8)
13 "Colourful Spooner's set!" — setter (6)
14 Reportedly what the pusher might have done before scoring pot (8)
18 4 getting 2 out of 1000, 500, 500 (one's dream) (8)
20 Leading couple swapped alternative medicine (6)
23 Slimy cop played games (8)
25 Stop one expressing love in public (5)
27 Rosé sprinkled over peeled mango fruit (7)
28 Unfortunately, all except leaders believe my powerful vision (4,3)
29 European has clinched proof, after getting regularly rejected (6)
30 Might extremely suspect radius measurement get left out? (8)

Down

1 Cried from old medical problem (9)
2 Critic's sick around middle of hamburger course (7)
3 Lack of originality in setter's anagramming (9)
4 Steps for cooking fried rice properly, essentially (6)
6 Features covered up by cosmetics (5)
7 Short after a second split (7)
8 England is only occasionally laid-back (4)
10 Oscar wears a uniform at sea (6)
15 Copy potty mouth of known gangster and ex-US president (9)
16 Here, Tintin gets placed right away at a rank close to #100 (9)
17 Clowns worldwide making society go down (6)
19 Very quietly off to plunder a rural community (7)
21 Lettuce that can be seen bobbing in the sea (7)
22 A lock-up state (6)
24 Soldier checking computer for spelling (5)
26 Sound made by setter's wife getting money? (4)

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Solution to previous puzzle

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Desika's love for Varadaraja

Visishtadvaita has the distinction of showing the world that the way to moksha is through Saranagati or prapatti. This means that total surrender to Lord Narayana is the assured way of reaching His feet. Vedanta Desika, through his works in Tamil, Sanskrit and Manipravala, shows us this path, said T.N. Aravamudachariar, in a discourse. In Tattva Mukta Kalapa, Desika acknowledges the role played by his predecessors in highlighting the prapatti marga. Nathamuni, and later his grandson Alavandar and Ramanujacharya – all of them made significant contributions in establishing the Visishtadvaita philosophy, which stresses prapatti as the way to reach Sri Vaikuntha.

Desika's Tamil verses are honoured by referring to them as Desika Prabandham, for they are considered to be as full of meaning as the Nalayira Divya Prabandham, which is a collection of all the verses of the Azhvars. These Tamil verses talk about the greatness of saranagati and also about divya desas like Srirangam, Kancheepuram etc. Desika was the avatara of the bell of the Tirumala temple. He grew up in Kancheepuram. He was blessed by Lord Deivanayaka of Thiruvaheendrapuram. He attained moksha in Srirangam. Thus his association is with many sacred temples and pilgrim centres. But Desika had a special fondness for Lord Varadaraja of Kancheepuram. This is evident from his works. In the Tamil work Adaikkalappathu, Desika says that he surrenders at the feet of Lord Varadaraja. There are five concepts that we must fully comprehend. Desika wrote the Artha Panchakam, explaining these concepts. And in Artha Panchakam, we can see him praising Lord Varadaraja throughout.

JERUSALEM

Israeli forces kill Palestinian woman in occupied West Bank

Israeli forces shot dead a Palestinian woman in the occupied West Bank on Monday, the Palestinian Health Ministry said, while the Army confirmed raids and a shooting incident in the area. Israeli forces said its soldiers had fired at a car that was speeding toward them. The victim was later identified as a 19-year-old woman. AFP

PARIS

France and U.K. sign agreement to curb Channel crossing by people

The U.K. and French Interior Ministers signed an agreement on Monday that will see more police patrol the beaches in northern France in an attempt to stop people trying to cross the English Channel in small boats — a regular source of friction between the two countries. AP

WASHINGTON

Ex-football player in custody after shooting at U.S. varsity kills three

The police on Monday arrested a former U.S. college football player suspected of shooting dead three ex-teammates at the University of Virginia, a few hours south of the U.S. capital.. The latest outburst of campus gun violence came as four persons were found dead in a separate incident near the University of Idaho. AP

ARBIL

Iran launches deadly missile and drone attacks on Kurds in Iraq

Iran launched a wave of cross-border missile and drone strikes on Monday against Kurdish Opposition groups based in northern Iraq, where local authorities reported one death and eight wounded. Tehran previously launched attacks that killed more than a dozen people in Iraq's Kurdistan region in late September. REUTERS

Biden, Xi look to 'responsibly manage competition' amid rising tensions

Both leaders agreed to resume engagement on issues such as climate change and to work together on maintaining global economic stability, but struck different positions on many of the issues currently straining ties

Ananth Krishnan
BEIJING

U.S. President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping on Monday discussed ways "to responsibly manage" the intensifying competition between their two countries in their first face-to-face meeting as leaders of the world's two biggest powers.

Both agreed to resume engagement on issues such as climate change and to work together on maintaining global economic stability. Both leaders, however, struck clearly different positions on many of the issues currently straining ties, from trade and Taiwan to human rights and Russia's war in Ukraine.

Even the question of "competition" in the relationship elicited starkly different statements from the two leaders in their talks in Bali ahead of the G-20 summit. Mr. Biden said the U.S. "will continue to compete vigorously with the PRC, including by investing in sources of strength at home and aligning efforts with allies and partners around the world." He added that "this competition should not veer into conflict" and that "the U.S. and China must manage the competition responsibly".

Mending ties: Xi Jinping, left, and Joe Biden as they meet on the sidelines of the G-20 summit in Bali on Monday. REUTERS

Mr. Xi's remarks reflected Beijing's continued displeasure at the Biden administration's emphasis on competition, and moves such as the recent export control ban on chips. He told the U.S. President that "the current state of China-U.S. relations is not in the fundamental interests of our two countries and peoples" and that "relations should not be a zero-sum game where one side outcompetes or thrives at the expense of the other." He noted China's opposition to "starting a trade war or a technology war, building walls and barriers, pushing for decoupling and severing supply chains."

The two readouts from Beijing and Washington reflected both sides underlining their positions on key differences rather than any apparent resolution of them. The White House said Mr. Biden "raised Russia's brutal war against Ukraine and Russia's irresponsible threats of nuclear use" and said both leaders "underscored their opposition to the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons in Ukraine." The Chinese statement did not mention those concerns and instead quoted Mr. Xi as saying China "supports and looks forward to a resumption of peace talks between Russia and Ukraine" and "at the same time hopes the U.S., NATO and the EU will conduct comprehensive dialogues with Russia."

Mr. Biden also "raised concerns about PRC practices in Xinjiang, Tibet, and Hong Kong, and human rights more broadly" and "raised U.S. objections to the PRC's coercive and increasingly aggressive actions toward Taiwan".

Both issues brought sharp responses from Mr. Xi, who warned that "anyone that seeks to split Taiwan from China will be violating the fundamental interests of the Chinese nation". On human rights, he pointedly told Mr. Biden that "no country has a perfect democratic system" and "just as the United States has American-style democracy, China has Chinese-style democracy, both fit their respective national conditions."

Zelensky visits Kherson after Russia's retreat from the city

Agence France-Presse
KHERSON

President Volodymyr Zelensky on Monday said it was "impossible to kill Ukraine" as he hailed the liberation of city of Kherson in a surprise visit.

NATO secretary-general Jens Stoltenberg meanwhile cautioned that Ukraine was facing difficult months ahead and Russia's military capability should not be underestimated, despite the takeover of Kherson, the only regional capital that Kremlin troops captured in nine months of war.

The Ukrainian presidency distributed images of Mr. Zelensky singing the national anthem with his hand over his chest as the country's blue and yellow flag was hoisted next to Kherson's main administrative building.

"This is what the Russian Federation did in our country, it showed the whole world that it can kill. But all of us, our armed forces, our National Guard and intelligence (services) have shown that it is impossible to kill Ukraine," Mr. Zelensky said.

Russian President Vladimir Putin's spokesman denied, however, that the Ukrainian leader's visit had any impact on the status of the Kherson region, which Moscow formally annexed into Russia last month.

Syrian woman arrested over Istanbul blast

Agence France-Presse
ISTANBUL

Turkey on Monday accused a Syrian woman of planting a bomb that killed six persons in Istanbul, blaming the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK) of carrying out the attack.

Two girls, aged nine and 15, were among those killed when the bomb exploded shortly after 4:00 pm (1830 IMT) on Sunday in Istiklal Avenue, home to smart boutiques and European consulates. More than 80 other people were wounded.

The PKK denied any role in the attack.

'UAE will not choose among global powers'

Agence France-Presse
ABU DHABI

The UAE has no interest in "choosing sides" between global powers despite its strategic partnership with the U.S, an Emirati diplomat said.

The comments by Anwar Gargash, a senior advisor to the UAE's President, come as Washington is at odds with Russia over the invasion of Ukraine and with Saudi Arabia over OPEC+ cuts in oil production.

"We will not sacrifice our sovereignty," he said.

Ranil presents crucial Budget aimed at 'recovery and reform' of economy

Meera Srinivasan
COLOMBO

Sri Lanka will adopt policies geared towards a "social market economy", to achieve high growth, increased export revenue and Foreign Direct Investment, President Ranil Wickremesinghe said on Monday, presenting his first annual Budget since assuming charge in July.

The Sri Lankan economy plunged into its worst ever crisis this year. As the island's acute Balance of Payments problem rapidly drained its foreign reserves, the government opted to default on its $51-billion debt in April.

Through the following months, citizens endured severe shortages of essentials, including food items, fuel, and medicines. Sri Lanka witnessed an unprecedented people's uprising that ousted former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and his government.

In September, Sri Lanka entered into a staff level agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for a $2.9 billion package, contingent on Sri Lanka successfully restructuring its loans with its diverse creditors.

"Negotiations with the International Monetary Fund are currently in progress. We are in dialogue with India and China on debt restructuring. We are confident that these discussions will lead to positive outcomes," President Wickremesinghe told Parliament in his Budget Speech.

Ranil Wickremesinghe

Regardless, Sri Lanka's path to recovery will prove challenging. The World Bank has estimated that the country's economy will contract by 9.2% this year, and by a further 4.2 % in 2023. It has also pointed to urban poverty tripling since 2021.

A recent survey by the World Food Programme found a third of Sri Lankan households to be food insecure, and 68% of the country's population resorting to food-coping strategies.

Acute malnutrition

Acknowledging an "increase in acute malnutrition" among children under 5, Mr. Wickremesinghe announced LKR 500 million (about ₹11 crore) to strengthen nutrition supplement programmes. The government aimed to build a "new economy" going beyond stabilising it, and achieve high economic growth of up to 8%, annual growth of $3 billion from new exports, and over $3 billion in FDIs in the next decade, besides increasing international trade as a percentage of GDP by over 100%, he said.

Anushka Wijesinha, a Colombo-based economist and co-founder of Centre for a Smart Future, a public policy think tank, said while proposals and overall sentiment directed towards reorienting the economy towards greater international trade and investment was encouraging, timely and effective implementation is key.

"Notably, proposals hinting at strengthening public financial management are encouraging, as a runaway Budget, poor fiscal controls, large state sector have continued to be the problem in our economy and contributed to macroeconomic strains," he told *The Hindu*.

The Feminist Collective for Economic Justice, an island-wide network of activists and researchers, termed the Budget "incredibly callous and heartless", reflecting a "serious disconnect from reality".

"There is no acknowledgement of the burden of the crisis on women," it said, pointing to women workers whose labour brings precious foreign exchange to the country.

Taliban want to enforce full Islamic law in Afghanistan

Agence France-Presse
KABUL

Afghanistan's supreme leader has ordered judges to fully enforce aspects of Islamic law that include public executions, stonings and floggings, and the amputation of limbs for thieves, the Taliban's chief spokesman said.

Zabihullah Mujahid tweeted late on Sunday that the "obligatory" command by Hibatullah Akhundzada came after the secretive leader met with a group of judges.

"Carefully examine the files of thieves, kidnappers and seditionists," Mujahid quoted Akhundzada as saying.

"Those files in which all the sharia (Islamic law) conditions of *hudud* and *qisas* have been fulfilled, you are obliged to implement.

Hudud refers to offences which, under Islamic law, certain types of punishment are mandated, while *qisas* translates as "retaliation in kind" – effectively an eye for an eye.

Hudud crimes include adultery – and falsely accusing someone of it – drinking alcohol, theft, kidnapping and highway robbery, apostasy and rebellion.

Qisas covers murder and deliberate injury, among other things, but also allows for the families of victims to accept compensation in lieu of punishment.

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AND
IN THE MATTER OF COMPOSITE SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT AMONGST SUNDARAM - CLAYTON LIMITED AND TVS HOLDINGS PRIVATE LIMITED AND VS INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED AND SUNDARAM - CLAYTON DCD LIMITED AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SHAREHOLDERS AND CREDITORS

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ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE CONVENING MEETING OF THE SECURED CREDITORS OF THE COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that by an order dated 9th November, 2022 **("Order")**, the Chennai Bench of the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal **("Hon'ble Tribunal")** has directed a meeting to be held of the Secured Creditors of the Company, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving with or without modification(s), proposed Composite Scheme of Arrangement amongst Sundaram - Clayton Limited **("SCL")** and TVS Holdings Private Limited and V S Investments Private Limited **("Company")** and Sundaram - Clayton DCD Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors **("Scheme")**, under Sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 **("Act")**.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, further Notice is hereby given that meeting of the Secured Creditors of the Company **("Meeting")** will be held on Friday, 16th December, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. (IST) via Video Conferencing **("VC")** / Other Audio Visual Means **("OAVM")**, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Act read with relevant Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) circulars, as applicable, to transact the business as set out in the Notice.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Tribunal's Order and as directed therein, the Notice of the aforesaid Meeting along with the accompanying documents, have been sent to the Secured Creditors through courier or e-mail.

Copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rule 6 of the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016 **("CAA Rules")** and accompanying documents can also be accessed / downloaded from the website of SCL; the website of National Securities Depository Limited **("NSDL")** viz. www.evoting.nsdl.com, being the agency appointed by the Company to provide the e-voting and other facilities for convening of the Meeting. If so desired, person may obtain a physical copy of the Scheme, statement under Sections 230 and 232 read with Section 102 and other applicable provisions of the Act and Rule 6 of the CAA Rules, etc., free of charge from the registered office of the Company, or by emailing to the Company at corp.secretarial@yahoo.com

The Hon'ble Tribunal has appointed Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar, Advocate, as the Chairperson and Mr. R. Rajesh, Advocate, as the Scrutinizer for the aforesaid Meeting.

The above mentioned Scheme, if approved by the Secured Creditors of the Company at the Meeting, will be subject to the subsequent sanction of the Hon'ble Tribunal and such other approvals, permissions and sanctions of regulatory or other authorities, as may be necessary.

The Secured Creditors of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the aforesaid Meeting may cast their votes through remote e-voting prior to the date of the Meeting or through e-voting at the meeting, by following the instructions provided in the Notice. Since the Meeting is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Secured Creditors has been dispensed with. A secured creditor may participate in the Meeting even after exercising his right to vote through remote e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the Meeting.

The cut-off date for e-voting and time period for the remote e-voting of the aforesaid Meeting is as under:

Secured Creditors meeting	
Cut-off date for e-voting	Monday, 31st October, 2022
Remote e-voting start date and time	Tuesday, 13th December, 2022 from 9.00 A.M. (IST)
Remote e-voting end date and time	Thursday, 15th December, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. (IST)

The remote e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time and remote e-voting module shall be forthwith disabled by NSDL upon expiry of the aforesaid period.

A Secured Creditor, whose name appears in the list of Secured Creditors of the Company, as on the cut-off date i.e. Monday, 31st October 2022 only shall be entitled to exercise his / her / its voting rights on the resolution proposed in the notice and attend the Meeting. Voting rights of the Secured Creditors shall be in proportion to the outstanding amount due by the Company as on the cut-off date i.e. Monday, 31st October 2022.

In case of queries relating to e-voting, Secured Creditors are requested to note the following contact details:

Ms Pallavi Mhatre, Manager / Mr Amit Vishal, Assistant Vice President
National Securities Depository Limited
Trade World, A wing, 4th Floor, Kamala Mills Compound, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013.
Email Id : www.evoting.nsdl.com
Contact Nos. : 18001020 990 / 1800 224 430

In case of any other queries, Secured Creditors are requested to note the following contact details:

Mr Sriram S, General Manager
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2nd Floor, Kences Towers, No. 1, Ramakrishna Street,
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Sd/-
Mr. N.P. Vijay Kumar
Chairperson appointed for the meeting of Secured Creditors of the Company

Place : Chennai
Date : 14th November, 2022

INBRIEF

Ashok Leyland rolls out new ICV platform 'Partner Super'

Ashok Leyland Ltd. (ALL) on Monday introduced a new Intermediate Commercial Vehicle (ICV) Platform 'Partner Super' with the unveiling of 914, 1014 and 1114 model trucks in the 9.15T, 10.25T and 11.28T Gross Vehicle Weight range. Target segments include e-commerce, beverages, FMCG, white goods and parcel and fruits.

SpiceJet Q2 loss widens to ₹838 cr. on fuel price, rupee

SpiceJet's loss widened to ₹837.8 crore during the quarter ended September as rising fuel prices and depreciating rupee continue to hurt airlines. Net loss in the same quarter last fiscal was at ₹561.7 crore. "Total revenue for the reported quarter was ₹2,104.7 crore as against ₹1,538.7 crore in the same quarter of the previous year," the airline said in a press statement.

NMDC net slides 62% on lower realisation from sales

NMDC reported consolidated net profit declined 62% for the September quarter to ₹885.65 crore on the back of average (domestic) sales realisation being lower. The fall in net profit, compared with the ₹2,339.58 crore in the year earlier period, came as total income slid 45% to ₹3,754.77 crore (₹6,882.44 crore).

Wholesale inflation slipped to single digit at 8.4% in Oct.

Base effect, cooling commodity prices helped; this is the fifth successive month of wholesale inflation moderating since it hit a record high of 16.63% in May; food price inflation eased to 6.5%

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

India's wholesale price inflation slipped below 10% for the first time in 19 months this October, when it eased to 8.4% from 10.7% in September, thanks to base effects and cooling commodity prices. This is the fifth successive month of wholesale inflation moderating since it hit a record high of 16.63% in May.

The inflation rate in October 2021 was 13.8% and was even higher at 14.9% in November last year, so economists at ICRA expect the base effect to intensify and bring headline wholesale inflation down to between 6% and 7% in November.

Pace lets up

This is the first time in 19 months that wholesale inflation has slipped below 10%

- The inflation rate in October 2021 was 13.8% and was even higher at 14.9% in November last year
- Economists hence expect the base effect to intensify and bring headline wholesale inflation down to between 6% and 7% in November
- Fuel and power inflation dropped to 23.2% in October from 32.6% in September

- Going forward, some food articles could show a sharp uptick in prices, particularly vegetables and cereals

Wholesale food price inflation eased further in October to 6.5% from 8.1% in September while inflation in manufactured goods dropped to 4.4% from 6.3% a month earlier. Fuel and power inflation dropped to 23.2% in October from 32.6% in September.

'Food price uptick'

"Wholesale inflation will continue to moderate on the back of the base effect as well as softening of global commodity prices," said Bank of Baroda economist Jahnavi.

However, some food articles would tend to show a sharp uptick in prices, particularly vegetables and cereals, while pulses may inch up too, she cautioned.

SEBI mulls response mandate for listed firms

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

To streamline disclosure requirements, markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has proposed mandating the top 250 listed companies to confirm or deny any information reported in the mainstream media, which may have material effect on the listed entity.

In addition, SEBI suggested reducing the timeline to 12 hours from the occurrence of event or information from 24 hours at present for making disclosures to stock exchanges, in its consultation paper made public on Monday.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	MONDAY	%CHANGE
Sensex	61,624	-0.28
US Dollar	81.28	-0.61
Gold	52,850	0.35
Brent oil	94.38	–

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	4022.55	13.70
Adani Ports	895.05	0.55
Apollo Hosp	4556.70	135.30
Asian Paints	3053.20	-2.20
Axis Bank	851.00	0.30
Bajaj Auto	3726.00	-1.65
Bajaj Finserv	1718.35	-0.90
Bajaj Finance	7025.80	-25.65
Bharti Airtel	821.90	-5.00
BPCL	307.65	-1.25
Britannia Ind	4103.95	5.30
Cipla	1129.50	8.10
Coal India	247.20	-6.05
Divis Lab	3275.70	4.30
Dr Reddys Lab	4363.65	-175.80
Eicher Motors	3516.60	-3.05
Grasim Ind	1748.50	40.05
HCL Tech	1099.00	8.35
HDFC	2661.55	9.85
HDFC Bank	1615.05	3.90
HDFC Life	538.85	-3.80
Hero MotoCorp	2688.40	19.90
Hindalco	455.55	25.70
Hind Unilever	2457.80	-45.25
ICICI Bank	894.95	-11.60
IndusInd Bank	1152.95	12.95
Infosys	1585.30	15.20
ITC	347.20	-9.15
JSW Steel	719.40	0.40
Kotak Bank	1922.80	23.70
L&T	1999.80	-11.30
M&M	1278.15	-8.95
Maruti Suzuki	9152.35	64.80
NestleIndia	20065.20	-257.30
NTPC	171.45	0.00
ONGC	139.25	-1.20
PowerGrid Corp	211.35	-2.70
Reliance Ind	2619.05	-12.75
SBI Life	1248.60	-1.65
State Bank	592.55	-8.75
Sun Pharma	1016.90	3.35
TataConsumerProduct	767.75	-5.45
Tata Motors	433.70	10.20
Tata Steel	108.70	1.15
TCS	3335.50	19.55
Tech Mahindra	1065.35	6.65
Titan	2629.80	-22.00
UltraTech Cement	6854.40	41.20
UPL	774.05	6.15
Wipro	396.55	-3.15

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on November 14

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	81.06	81.38
Euro	83.49	83.85
British Pound	95.44	95.83
Japanese Yen (100)	57.76	58.00
Chinese Yuan	11.49	11.54
Swiss Franc	85.54	85.93
Singapore Dollar	58.92	59.17
Canadian Dollar	61.00	61.24
Malaysian Ringitt	17.63	17.72
Australian Dollar	54.10	54.32

Source:Indian Bank

Smartphone sales dip to 3-year low: IDC

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Smartphone sales in India slid 10% to hit a three-year low of 43 million units in July-September, market research firm International Data Corporation (IDC) said on Monday.

"This was the lowest third-quarter shipment since 2019 despite an earlier onset of Diwali festivities," IDC said in its Worldwide Quarterly Mobile Phone Tracker report.

Weakening demand, rising device prices impacted festive buying, it added. The 5G smartphone share was 36% with 16 million units at a slightly higher average selling price of $393 (about ₹32,000) apiece, from the previous quarter.

SEBI approves Adani Group's open offer for 26% in NDTV

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Markets regulator SEBI has approved Adani Group's open offer to buy an additional 26% stake in media firm New Delhi Television (NDTV).

According to an update on SEBI's website on Monday, the regulator gave its final comments on the proposed ₹492.81-crore open offer on November 7. The offer will tentatively open on November 22 and close on December 5. The price fixed is ₹294 per share, as per a recent regulatory filing by NDTV.

The Adani Group in August acquired Vishvapradhan Commercial Pvt. Ltd. (VCPL) that had lent over ₹400 crore to NDTV's founders more than a decade ago in exchange for warrants that allowed the firm to acquire 29.18% in the newsgroup at any time.

Post that, the VCPL announced it would launch an open offer on October 17. However, the offer was delayed as SEBI had not given its approval. On Monday, NDTV shares rose 2% to ₹365.85 on the BSE.

Raids on Fritsch won't impact Jet deal: Kalrock

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Kalrock Capital Partners said on Monday that raids conducted by investigation agencies against its promoter, Florian Fritsch, will have no impact on the acquisition of Jet Airways.

Authorities in Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Austria raided multiple properties linked to Florian Fritsch last month, according to media reports.

Kalrock Capital in a statement said Mr. Fritsch was "assisting" in certain investigations, based on complaints filed "in relation to certain businesses where Florian is" an investor. "Florian confirms that neither Kalrock Capital Partners nor Jet Airways have any connection with these ongoing investigations." Mr. Fritsch and Kalrock are part of a consortium – which includes Murari Lal Jalan – picked to revive Jet Airways.

NCLT gives nod for LTI-Mindtree merger

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The merger of Larsen & Toubro Infotech (LTI) with Mindtree has received approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) and the two companies will operate as a merged entity from November 14, said A.M. Naik, group chairman, L&T and chairman of LTIMindtree.

The Mumbai and Bengaluru Benches of NCLT had approved the scheme of amalgamation and arrangement between the two companies and their respective shareholders and creditors under Section 230-232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Mr. Naik said in a press conference on Monday.

As part of the merger, all shareholders of Mindtree would be issued shares of LTI in the ratio of 73 shares of LTI for every 100 shares of Mindtree. The parent company L&T would hold 68.73% of the merged entity. The record date to determine the eligible shareholders of Mindtree for the issue of equity shares of LTI pursuant to the scheme is fixed as November 24, Mr. Naik further said.

A.M. Naik

S.N. Subrahmanyan, CEO and MD of L&T, and vice-chairman of LTIMindtree, who played a key role in bringing Mindtree to the L&T stable, said the integration was much more than just the coming together of two successful companies.

Mr. Naik said that attrition in the tech industry would come down by 4-5% in the next 12 months.

'Paytm on the right path to profitability, free cash flows'

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Digital financial services firm One97 Communications, owner of the Paytm brand, is on the 'right' path to profitability with payments service becoming monetisable, founder and CEO Vijay Shekhar Sharma said on Monday.

"One year ago, we made our way to the public markets. We are aware of the expectations that Paytm carries, and I assure you that we are on the right path to profitability and free cash flows," he said.

The CEO said that the government incentives to UPI payments and merchants' adoption of Paytm devices and subscription products was making payments increasingly monetisable and profitable.

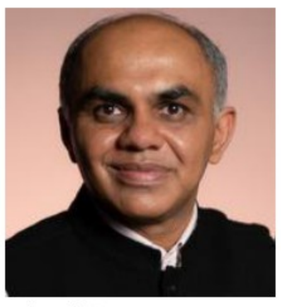
The firm posted widening of consolidated loss to ₹571.5 crore in the September quarter from ₹473.5 crore a year earlier.

Uncertainty imperils 'pandemic progress' seen in workplace: study

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Nine in 10 business leaders in India believe economic uncertainty threatens to wind back "pandemic progress" in the workplace, according to research by online professional network LinkedIn, released on Monday.

The research found flexibility and employee benefits introduced during the pandemic are now at risk due to the ongoing economic uncertainty. It noted that 91% of business leaders said that the current economic climate could threaten flexible working, while other areas of work life such as learning and development (90%) and employee wellbeing (89%) are most likely to be affected too.



Ashutosh Gupta

"More than two-fifths of India's business leaders are looking to reduce employer learning and development budgets and opportunities (43%), and nearly half (49%) are looking to reduce flexible and hybrid working roles (49%)," it said, adding that 71% prefer employees to work more frequently from the office as opposed to working from home.

'Remote roles see dip'

The findings come at a time when a new analysis of remote job postings on LinkedIn showed remote roles were in decline, although applications to those roles exceed supply by almost twofold in India. In September 2022, 11.3% of paid job postings in India offered remote working option; remote working roles received 20.3% of all job applications. The firm added that research on top executives showed a majority (86%) of business leaders in India are concerned these cost-cutting measures will have a negative impact on employee motivation levels – which may also be why 84% agree they aren't able to find the right talent today.

Ashutosh Gupta, India country manager, LinkedIn, said: "While flexibility and learning are usually the first to go when times are tough, pulling back on these [now] could demotivate employees, widen the skills gap, and inflate retention rates".

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TENDER NOTICE

No	Tender Id	Name of the Work
1	2022_KMML_523630_1	For the supply of Refractory Castable
2	2022_KMML_522896_1	For the supply of Gear Box for Digester with Fabricated Casing-1 No
3	2022_KMML_527665_1	For the supply of Brick acid Resistant
4	2022_KMML_521708_1	For the supply, Erection and Successful commissioning of Centralized Flow Monitoring System at Boiler Control Room

Chavara 14.11.2022 sd/- Managing Director For The Kerala Minerals And Metals Ltd

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NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING / OPEN TENDER ENQUIRY

BRBNMPL invites bids from eligible bidders for following tenders:
1. **Tender No. 062/MYS/CIVIL/2022-23 -** Item Rate Contract for Civil Works at BRBNMPL, Mysuru.
2. **Tender No. 063/MYS/MMD/2022-23 -** Supply of Semi-skilled Manpower for Unpacking, Shifting of Boxes and Miscellaneous Work at General Stores, BRBNMPL, Mysuru.
3. **Tender No. 064/MYS/CIVIL/2022-23 -** Supply, Installation & Comprehensive Maintenance of 650 Water Purifiers at Note Mudran Nagar Township Quarters, Mysuru under Buyback.

For downloading tender documents, last date of submission of above tenders and other details, kindly visit our website **www.brbnmpl.co.in**. Further corrigendum/ amendment to above tenders, if issued in future, will be notified on the Company website only.

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No.5(7)RFSDL/RFP- Earned Salary/2022 Jaipur, Dated : 10/11/2022

Request for Expression of Interest for Selection of a Service Provider/s providing facility of 'Earned Salary Advance Drawls Access Scheme'

The Government of Rajasthan (GoR) intends to facilitate its employees to access drawl to a line of credit through partnered financial institutions corresponding to their earned salary in a month. In line with this, GoR intends to introduce 'Earned Salary Advance Drawls Access Scheme' with an objective for financial convenience of employees at a point of time before due date of salary.

The Rajasthan Financial Services Delivery Limited (RFSDL) now invites interested service providers to express their interest in providing the above service. The primary concept note about this initiative is provided in annexure-I. Interested service providers should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services along with the prospective business model(s) to successfully run the scheme. The RFSDL will invite the interested service providers to make presentation on the prospective business model(s), required qualifications and relevant experience. Further information can be obtained at the address above during office hours. Expressions of Interest (EOI) need to be submitted through e-mail to rfsdl@rajasthan.gov.in up to 05/12/2022.

The RFSDL reserves the right to select single or multiple service provider for this opportunity.

Primary Concept Note (Annexure -I) of the EOI may be visited on the procurement portal (**https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in**).

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2. **IIIT Una website www.iiitu.ac.in.**

LOOK OUT NOTICE

Manu.M, age 28, S/O Madhusoodanan Pillai, Manu Bhavanam, Palamel Muri, Nooranad village, Alappuzha District who is the accused in **Cr. 723/2022 U/s 376(2)(n)IPC & Sec.3(2)(v), 3(1)(w)(i) of SC/ST (PA) Amendment Act 2015 of Nooranad** Police Station, he is absconding after the commission of the crime. If any clue or information is obtained about him that may be intimated immediately to Nooranad station ISHO, Deputy Superintendent of Police Chengannur, & District Police Chief Alappuzha.

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e-TENDER NOTICE (Running Contract)

Online bids are invited for the supply and installation of the following equipment for various Government healthcare institutions across Kerala

Sl. No	Tender No.	Description	Online Pre-Bid Meeting	Last date of Online submission
1.	T474/2022	Cortical Visual Impairment Examination Charts, Slit Lamp with imaging facility, ETO Sterilizer Model B , Ceramic Furnace, Spindle Grinder, Ventriculoscope – Neuro Endoscope, Pulmonary Function Testing Machine with Difusing Capacity and Cardiopulmonary Exercise.	23.11.2022 11.00 a.m.	05.12.2022 05.00 p.m.
2.	T475/2022	Virtual Reality for Neuro Rehabilitation, EMG NCV Type B, Shoulder CPM, Rehabilitation Tread Mill, Shock wave therapy Unit, UST +Electrotherapy, Plaster cutter, Equipments for Limb fitting Center, Cycler for performing peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) Type A, Cycler for performing peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) Type B, Peritoneal Dialysis fluid for CAPD Cycler	24.11.2022 11.00 a.m.	09.12.2022 05.00 p.m.
		Dialysis Consumables, Video Laryngoscope Type B, Intubating Video Laryngoscope with Macintosh Blade, Fibre optic Bronchoscope, OT Equipment set, Equipment set for injection set	N.A.	26.11.2022 05.00 p.m.
3.	T476/2022	Gas Pipeline systems for Analytical Laboratories	26.11.2022 11.00 a.m.	09.12.2022 05.00 p.m.
4.	T477/2022	Supply of equipments for ART Centre on turnkey basis at MCH Thrissur	30.11.2022 11.00 a.m.	13.12.2022 05.00 p.m.
5.	T478/2022	Reagent kits for Molecular Diagnosis Labs	N.A.	23.11.2022 05.00 p.m.
6.	T479(R)/2022	Ultrasound Color Doppler Portable Type D, Autolensometer, Minor items for Sub Centers, Video Bronchoscope, Digital Dental X-ray Unit (Pediatric), Corneal Topography, Multiflex Shelving (Light duty Shelving), Fluid Warmer (Blood Warmer), Disposable Video Ureteroscope, Densitometer with Computer, Functional Electric Simulator, Strobe Video Rhyno Laryngoscope with Monitor, Camera and Light Source, Multiparameter Monitor with Anesthesia Gas Monitor, Automated Culture Identification System, CT Scanner 16 Slice Model A, MRI Machine 1.5 Tesla Normal Bore, Instruments for MICS (Minimal Invasive Cardiac Surgery), Delivery Kits for C-Section, Navigation System for Anterior and Lateral Skull Based Surgery, Low Temperature Plasma Sterlizer 100 Litre, Hand Held Pulse Oximeter, ENT Instrument sets.	N.A.	26.11.2022 05.00 p.m.

State Public Sector undertakings and MSMEs registered in the State or registered outside the state satisfying the policy of Government of India are exempted from remittance of tender document cost and EMD subject to the submission of valid documents, provided all the offered products are manufactured by them. Tender documents and all other information related to tender and bidding process can be downloaded from the website www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.

Sd/- Managing Director (Tender Inviting Authority)

BONANZA

England to receive $1.6 million for T20 World Cup triumph

England will receive a whopping $1.6 million for clinching its second ICC T20 World Cup title after defeating Pakistan in the final on Sunday. The total prize pool of $5.6 million will be distributed among all the teams. Runner-up Pakistan will get $800,000. The two semifinalists — India and New Zealand — will get $400,000 each.

LONG LAY-OFF

Afridi likely to be out of action for significant amount of time

Pakistan pacer Shaheen Afridi is unlikely to be available for the Test series against England and New Zealand through December-January after he injured his right knee during the World Cup final against England on Sunday. Afridi is set to be out of the game for a significant amount of time.

LOSING HIS WAY

Shubhankar flounders in the closing stages, finishes third

India's Shubhankar Sharma faltered towards the end with back-to-back bogeys to squander the lead and finish third at the Nedbank Golf Challenge in Sun City (South Africa) on Sunday. Tommy Fleetwood of England shot a five-under 67 for back-to-back titles, winning by one shot over Ryan Fox, who carded a 68.

ON THE PROWL

Inamdar reaches a landmark as Paltan down Warriors

Aslam Inamdar reached the 100-point mark for the season as Puneri Paltan defeated Bengal Warriors 43-27 in the Pro Kabaddi League in Pune on Monday. Akash Shinde (10 points), Inamdar (9) and Mohit Goyat (8) were the star performers for Paltan. Manjeet (14) helped Haryana Steelers register a thrilling 33-32 win over Gujarat Giants.

Unity in diversity the defining attribute of England's march to the top of the podium

Inclusivity the watchword as players from different backgrounds worked in sync for the team's cause even as some fought migration-angst and others battled inner demons

T20 WORLD CUP

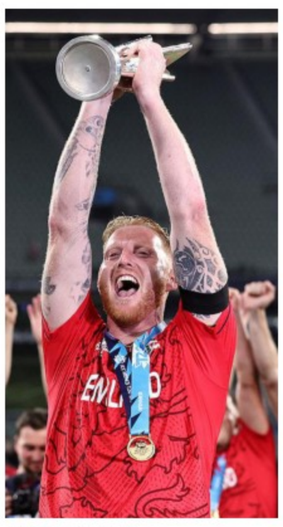
K.C. Vijaya Kumar
MELBOURNE

A Sunday night of delight for England stretched interminably with most of its players living it up in the Melbourne Cricket Ground's dressing room. Jos Buttler's men had just claimed the ICC Twenty20 World Cup at Pakistan's expense and some cricketers stepped out to speak to the media.

A Pakistani journalist spoke to Adil Rashid in a language that seemed familiar and yet vague. "Was that Punjabi," an Indian scribe asked and the reply was: "No, it is the Pahari dialect spoken by the Mirpuris." It was a moment that encapsulated the cricketing, social and linguistic strands that bind people split by continents but fused by a shared past.

The fusion-theme was in vogue when Rashid said: "Inside our dressing room there is inclusivity, we all come from different backgrounds but we are there for the team's cause." Earlier, Rashid's leg-spin did a star-turn for England even if it was left-arm speedster Sam Curran who walked away with the accolades.

Diverse men congregating and performing in sync defined England's march to the victor's podium. If some had to get past migration-angst, others had to fight their inner demons



Stokes with the ultimate prize. AFP

and in that zone none can be bigger than Ben Stokes.

The talismanic all-rounder and England's Test captain does give the Moses-vibe, parting seas, ushering in miracles and making fans believe that nothing is improbable on the cricketing turf.

Equally fragile

Yet, he is equally fragile. "Look he is a champion but he is a human too, there will be anxiety," Rashid said. There are dual threads running here that are linked to history and the mind. Leap back to the 2016 final at Eden Gardens and you will recall Ian Bishop's iconic final remark: "Carlos Brathwaite, remember the name!" The West Indian had just clattered four sixes off Stokes in the game's concluding over. An improbable victory was seized and Stokes sat on his haunches, hid his head within his palms and wept.

Cut to a more recent vintage and we now deal with a Stokes, who sought a break due to mental exhaustion. It takes courage to admit that as athletes due to ingrained machismo tend to put on an invincible facade. Even Virat Kohli admitted to faking intensity when deep inside he was dealing with the shadows of the mind. Seen through that light, it is remarkable that despite the historical baggage and depression lurking below the surface, Stokes came back for good.

Winning the 2019 World Cup for Eoin Morgan's men followed by some terrific exploits in Tests and now to make peace with the ghosts of the past is never easy. Stokes did precisely that and as his T20 skipper Jos Buttler said, he is a "big-match player." To open the bowling and then to shepherd the middle-order in a nervous chase can be daunting and the pressure quadruples during a summit clash.

Hanging in there

Pakistan, mercurial and with a fantastic set of fast bowlers, can test the very best and Stokes, even if he wasn't fluent, just hung in during the chase. "I keep looking at the scoreboard and try and stay till the end," he had recently said and thankfully for England, Stokes delivered on that promise.

The Standouts

The eighth chapter of the ICC T20 World Cup witnessed some remarkable individual performances

BROAD BATS — Top run-getters (Super 12 onwards)

	Inns	Runs	HS	SR	100s/50s
Kohli (Ind)	**6**	**296**	**82 n.o.**	**136.40**	**0/4**
Suryakumar (Ind)	6	239	68	189.68	0/3
Buttler (Eng)	6	225	80 n.o.	144.23	0/2
Hales (Eng)	6	212	86 n.o.	147.22	0/2
Phillips (NZ)	5	201	104	158.26	1/1

- Century-makers: Rossouw 109 (South Africa vs. Bangladesh, Sydney); Phillips 104 (New Zealand vs. Sri Lanka, Sydney)
- Best strike rate: Suryakumar (189.68 - 239 runs, 126 balls)
- Most sixes: Hales (10)

Note: Best strike rate (min. 125 balls)

BALLS OF FIRE — Top wicket-takers (Super 12 onwards)

	Inns	Wkts.	BBI	Econ.	4W/5W
Curran (Eng)	**6**	**13**	**5/10**	**6.52**	**0/1**
Nortje (SA)	5	11	4/10	5.37	2/0
Afridi (Pak)	7	11	4/22	6.15	1/0
Shadab (Pak)	7	11	3/22	6.34	0/0
Arshdeep (Ind)	6	10	3/32	7.80	0/0

- The five-for: Curran 5/10 (England vs. Afghanistan, Perth)
- Best economy rate: Nortje (5.37 - 17.3 overs, 94 runs conceded)
- Hat-tricks*: Karthik Meiyappan (UAE vs. Sri Lanka, Geelong); Josh Little (Ireland vs. New Zealand, Adelaide)

Note: Best economy rate (min. 15 overs)

HIGH AND LOW*

Highest total: South Africa 205/5 vs. Bangladesh, Sydney. Result: SA won by 104 runs

Lowest total: UAE 73 vs. Sri Lanka, Geelong. Result: SL won by 79 runs

SMASHING SUCCESS — The Player-of-the-Tournament in the eight editions

2007	2009	2010	2012	2014	2016	2021	2022
Shahid Afridi (Pak)	Tillakaratne Dilshan (SL)	Kevin Pietersen (Eng)	Shane Watson (Aus)	Virat Kohli (Ind)	Virat Kohli (Ind)	David Warner (Aus)	Sam Curran (Eng)

- Pietersen, Warner and Curran are the only ones to clinch the World Cup trophy as well as the Player-of-the-Tournament award in the same edition

*Stats include qualification rounds

SOURCE: ESPNCRICINFO

Kohli and Suryakumar.
GETTY IMAGES

Kohli and Suryakumar in T20 WC 'Most Valuable Team'

Press Trust of India
MELBOURNE

Tournament's leading run-getter Virat Kohli and Suryakumar Yadav were on Monday named in the Most Valuable Team of the ICC 2022 T20 World Cup.

Kohli finished as the most prolific batter with 296 runs at a stunning average of 98.66.

Suryakumar finished as the tournament's third highest scorer with 239 runs overall. He scored at a staggering strike rate of 189.68 in his six innings.

Another Indian, Hardik Pandya was named as the 12th man.

"Players from six different teams have been named in the team," the ICC said.

The team (in batting order): Alex Hales, Jos Buttler, Virat Kohli, Suryakumar Yadav, Glenn Phillips, Sikandar Raza, Shadab Khan, Sam Curran, Anrich Nortje, Mark Wood and Shaheen Shah Afridi. **12th man:** Hardik Pandya.

Thuram handed final France spot

FIFA WC 2022

Associated Press
PARIS

Marcus Thuram was handed the last spot in the France squad that will defend its World Cup title in Qatar while the uncapped Axel Disasi was also called up on Monday after Presnel Kimpembe had to pull out with an Achilles injury.

Iran named Sardar Azmoun, its star player who has expressed support on several occasions for the demonstrations in Iran, in its final 25-man squad.

The squads: IRAN:
Goalkeepers: Amir Abedzadeh, Alireza Beiranvand, Hossein Hosseini, Payam Niazmand.
Defenders: Sadegh Moharrami, Ehsan Hajsafi, Shoja Khalilzadeh, Milad Mohammadi, Morteza Pouraliganji, Hossein Kanaani, Majid Hosseini, Ramin Rezaian, Abolfazl Jalali.
Midfielders: Saeid Ezatolahi, Saman Ghoddos, Ahmad

Thuram. AFP

Nourollahi, Roozbeh Chechmi, Ali Karimi; **Forwards:** Alireza Jahanbakhsh, Mehdi Taremi, Karim Ansarifard, Vahid Amiri, Mehdi Torabi, Ali Gholizadeh, Sardar Azmoun.

TUNISIA: Goalkeepers: Aymen Dahmen, Mouez Hassan, Bechir Ben Said, Aymen Mathlouthi.
Defenders: Ali Abdi, Mohamed Drager, Ali Maaloul, Wajdi Kechrida, Nader Ghandri, Yassine Meriah, Bilel Ifa, Dylan Bronn, Montassar Talbi; **Midfielders:** Ellyes Skhiri, Ghaylen Chaalali, Aissa Laidouni, Mohamed Ali Ben Romdhane, Ferjani Sassi, Hannibal Mejbri; **Forwards:** Youssef Msakni, Seifeddine Jaziri, Naim Sliti, Issam Jebali, Taha Yassine Khenissi, Anis Ben Slimane, Wahbi Khazri.

Russell sweeps to maiden GP win; Hamilton second in dramatic race

Agence France-Presse
SAO PAULO

George Russell powered to his maiden Grand Prix victory ahead of teammate Lewis Hamilton on Sunday as Mercedes ended its barren run with a triumphant one-two at the Sao Paulo Grand Prix.

The 24-year-old English driver resisted the pressure from compatriot Hamilton to finish 1.529 seconds clear of the seven-time champion. "This is just the beginning," said Russell after winning in his 81st GP.

Hamilton, winner of a record 103 Grands Prix, added to Mercedes joy after a frustrating season. "Congratulations to the team and thank you, this is an amazing result," he said.

Carlos Sainz finished third for Ferrari ahead of teammate Charles Leclerc with two-time champion Fernando Alonso coming

Victory, at last! Russell celebrates on the podium with Mercedes teammate Hamilton. AFP

home fifth for Alpine.

Two-time champion Max Verstappen was sixth for Red Bull after pitting following a seventh-lap collision with Hamilton, for which he was penalised.

The race began in spectacular style. On lap one, Daniel Ricciardo and Kevin Magnussen collided when the Australian's McLaren clipped the Dane's Haas and spun him before hitting him again. The luckless Magnussen, Friday's hero after securing his maiden pole ahead of the sprint, radioed in. "Sorry, guys," he said. "I'm out. I got a massive push."

The race resumed on lap seven with another explosion of drama – Verstappen and Hamilton making contact at Turn One, where the Dutchman suffered a damaged front wing, and Leclerc avoiding the wall at Turn Six after clashing with Norris.

Verstappen and Leclerc both pitted. Red Bull replaced Verstappen's front wing in only 10 seconds before the champion rejoined 17th only to learn that he had a five-second penalty for causing the collision. Norris was handed a five-second penalty.

The results (top-10): 1. George Russell (Mercedes) 1:38:34.044; 2. Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes) +1.529s; 3. Carlos Sainz Jr (Ferrari) +4.051; 4. Charles Leclerc (Ferrari) +8.441; 5. Fernando Alonso (Alpine) +9.561; 6. Max Verstappen (Red Bull) +10.056; 7. Sergio Perez (Red Bull) +14.080; 8. Esteban Ocon (Alpine) +18.690; 9. Valtteri Bottas (Alfa Romeo) +22.552; 10. Lance Stroll (Aston Martin) +23.552.

Standings (top-5): Drivers: 1. Verstappen (Ned) 429 points; 2. Leclerc (Mon) 290; 3. Perez (Mex) 290; 4. Russell (GBR) 265; 5. Hamilton (GBR) 240.

Constructors: 1. Red Bull 710; 2. Ferrari 514; 3. Mercedes 491; 4. Alpine 167; 5. McLaren 148.

Fritz shocks Nadal; Rublev begins well

Massive start: Fritz gave Nadal a torrid time with some aggressive tennis. GETTY IMAGES

Agence France-Presse
TURIN

Taylor Fritz sprang a surprise on World No. 2 Rafael Nadal in the season-ending ATP Finals in Turin on Sunday, winning 7-6(3), 6-1. In the other match in the Green Group, Casper Ruud defeated Felix Auger-Aliassime, 7-6(4), 6-4.

The ATP Finals is the only major trophy missing from Nadal's list of honours but his straight-set loss means he will struggle to escape the round-robin stage.

He needs to win both his remaining matches against Ruud and Auger-Aliassime if he is to make the semifinals.

In a Red Group match on Monday, Andrey Rublev outlasted Daniil Medvedev 6-7(7), 6-3, 7-6(7) in a battle that lasted a little more than two and half hours.

INBRIEF

2024 Paris Olympics and Paralympics mascots revealed

The mascots for the 2024 Paris Olympics and Paralympics have been revealed – a Phrygian cap called 'Phryges'. The soft bright red cap, also known as a liberty cap, is an updated version of a conical hat worn in antiquity in places such as Persia, the Balkans, and Phrygia, a place in modern day Turkey where the name originates. It later became a symbol of the pursuit of liberty in the French Revolution – and is still worn by the figure of Marianne, the national personification of France since that time.

Warner hints at Test retirement next year

Swashbuckling Australia opening batter David Warner has hinted at Test retirement next year but is likely to continue playing white-ball cricket. "Test cricket will probably be the first one to fall off. Potentially it could be my last 12 months in Test cricket," Warner said on 'Triple M's Deadset Legends' show. "Because that's how it will pan out. The T20 World Cup is in 2024, (ODI) World Cup next year."

India-Malayasia match ends in a goalless stalemate

India held Malaysia goalless in a men's Group 'A' league match of the Asia-Oceania blind football championship at the United Sports Centre, Kakkanad, on Monday. It was India's second match in the event, the host had blanked Kazakhstan 4-0 in its opener.

Milan stays on Napoli's tail as Kean fires Juve to third

AC Milan's Serie A title defence is still on track after Sunday's last-gasp 2-1 win over Fiorentina ensured it ended 2022 eight points behind leader Napoli, while Moise Kean's brace against Lazio shot revived Juventus into third place. Milan looked to be falling further behind unbeaten Napoli after Antonin Barak levelled Rafael Leao's early opener midway through the first half. But with the clock ticking down, Fiorentina defender Milenkovic bundled the ball into his own goal.

The results: Juventus 3 (Kean 43, 54, Milik 89) bt Lazio 0.
AC Milan 2 (Leao 2, Milenkovic 90+2-og) bt Fiorentina 1 (Barak 28).
Monza 3 (Carlos Augusto 24, Mota 35, Pessina 75-pen) bt Salernitana 0. Roma 1 (Matic 90+4) drew with Torino 1 (Linetty 55); Verona 1 (Verdi 30) lost to Spezia 2 (Nzola 53, 69).

Kenkre, Punjab post wins in their I-League openers

Kenkre FC started its I-League campaign on a winning note, beating host Sudeva Delhi FC 2-1 in New Delhi on Monday. In another match at Panchkula, host RoundGlass Punjab also registered a similar win over Sreenidi Deccan

The results: RoundGlass Punjab 2 (Majcen 23, Lalmuanpuia 43) bt Sreenidi Deccan 1 (Shahabaaz 58); Sudeva Delhi 1 (Basit 45+2) lost to Kenkre FC 2 (Ahmed Faiz 12, Azfar Ashfaque 61).

LIVE TELECAST

I-League: Eurosport (SD & HD), 4.30 & 7 p.m.

ATP Finals: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Voot Select, 6.30 p.m. onwards

PKL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m. onwards

TUESDAY'S HAZARE TROPHY SCHEDULE

Group A (Delhi): Hyderabad vs.Saurashtra; Gujarat vs. Uttar Pradesh; Himachal Pradesh vs. Manipur; Chandigarh vs.Tripura.

Group B (Kolkata): Assam vs. Meghalaya; Delhi vs. Rajasthan; Jharkhand vs. Karnataka; Sikkim vs. Vidarbha.

Group C (Bengaluru): Goa vs. Kerala; Chhattisgarh vs. Tamil Nadu; Andhra vs..Arunachal Pradesh; Bihar vs. Haryana.

Group D (Mumbai): Madhya Pradesh vs. Odisha; Baroda vs. Punjab; Jammu & Kashmir vs.Nagaland.

Group E (Ranchi): Bengal vs. Maharashtra; Pondicherry vs. Services; Mizoram vs. Railways.

Not qualifying for World Cup a bitter pill to swallow for Italy

Paolo Maldini, one of the best defenders of all time, believes that the team should focus more on winning the qualifying group and not leave it to the play-offs like the last two times when it failed to make it to the premium event

INTERVIEW

Paolo Maldini

He was one of the all-time best defenders but Paolo Maldini won everything except the World Cup. Now his country will not be a part of the tournament again in Qatar, like Russia four years ago.

Positive outlook: While recent results have not been good, Maldini believes that it is not all doom and gloom for the Azzurri. AFP

How disappointing is it to see Italy failing to qualify?

It's something we all are trying to digest but failing miserably. Being four times champion, it is difficult for us to accept the fact that we will not be part of the tournament. But that's reality and we have to accept it.

After winning the 2020 Euro champions, how could Italy fail here?

That's strange, I must say. Being the best in Europe and losing to North Macedonia in a qualifier is unbelievable. When the draw was made, we thought, it would really be tough to play Portugal in the final qualifier. But we failed at the first hurdle.

Missing two consecutive editions must be a serious problem...

It appears so, but I do not believe that Italian football is under serious problems. The team has great talent. We have a very good coach in Roberto Mancini. Under him, the Azzurris had a run of 37 matches unbeaten and won the Euro after 1968. Only thing is, we had a poor outing against North Macedonia.

But, Italy lost to Argentina in Wembley, too, in the Finalissima.

Probably it was more due to that defeat against North Macedonia. Our players were not at their best. They knew, they had lost the opportunity to be a part of the four-year extravaganza.

Should the European champion should get a confirmed place at the World Cup?

It would have been nice! But even the reigning champion has to qualify for the World Cup. So, we cannot stress that the European champion should have a confirmed place.

I do feel that Italy was deserving, but I also feel that we should have won the qualifying group. Even during the 2018 qualification, we failed to win the group and lost to Sweden in the play-off. It will be better if we can focus on qualifying straightway by winning the group.

Is there any clear favourite to win the World Cup?

There are a few, I must say. From Europe France along with Germany, England and Portugal. Brazil and Argentina from South America. Be prepared for a surprise in a World Cup, like the Croatians did in 2018. They have a good team this time, too.

Qatar will be the last World Cup for Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo. Your views.

These two are the best of this generation, probably in the history of football. Day in and day out, in every competition, they have left their mark.

We are fortunate enough to see them in action and personally I would like to see them play for at least a few years more.

They would try to make the World Cup special for themselves and their fans. It will be a pleasure for all of us to watch them play.

TN to host senior men's hockey Nationals

K. Keerthivasan
CHENNAI

The senior men's National hockey championships will be held either in Kovilpatti or Madurai in Tamil Nadu, while the women's event will be in Telangana, both in the month of April 2023, according to Sekhar J. Manoharan, treasurer of Hockey India and president of Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu (HUTN).

The junior and sub-junior boys' and girls' Nationals would be hosted by Odisha in February 2023.

Speaking to *The Hindu* on Monday, Manoharan said HUTN was keen to organise the Pro League matches in Chennai in March. The league was held between 2013 and 17.

"I was thinking of having a team from Tamil Nadu in the Pro League while Hockey India President Dilip Tirkey was keen that HUTN organise the league in Chennai as this could be the first time the State could host it," revealed Manoharan.

Manoharan said there is a fair chance that big stars might take part in the Nationals.

Paddler Sharath Kamal to get Khel Ratna award on November 30

Rakesh Rao
NEW DELHI

Sharath Kamal, winner of three gold and a silver medal in the 2022 Commonwealth Games, will receive this year's Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award here on November 30.

Significantly, the jury also decided that the country's highest sports award this year will be bestowed only on Sharath as no other applicant was found worthy of matching the achievements of the 40-year-old table tennis star.

"Honestly, I was expecting it. But what has been a pleasant surprise is the fact that I will be the only one receiving the award this time. I feel completely humbled for being chosen for this honour," said Sharath. In addition, 25 Arjuna awardees, five Dronacharya awardees (three more in Lifetime category), four Dhyanchand awardees were named. Winner of the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy besides three institutes for Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar were also announced.

Rich haul: Sharath Kamal's exemplary CWG showing means he will be the sole receipient of this year's Khel Ratna. R. RAVINDRAN

List of awardees: Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award (₹25 lakh): Sharath Kamal.

Arjuna Awards (₹15 lakh each): Seema Punia, Eldhose Paul, Avinash Mukund Sable (athletics), Lakshya Sen, H.S. Prannoy (badminton).

Amit Panghal, Nikhat Zareen (boxing), Bhakti Kulkarni, R. Praggnanandhaa (chess). Deep Grace Ekka (hockey), Shushila Devi (judo), Sakshi Kumari (kabaddi), Nayan Moni Saikia (lawn bowl), Sagar Ovhalkar (mallakhamb), Elavenil Valarivan, Omprakash Mitharval (shooting), Sreeja Akula (table tennis), Vikas Thakur (weightlifting), Anshu, Sarita (wrestling), Parveen (wushu), Manasi Joshi, Tarun Dhillon (para badminton), Swapnil Patil (para swimming), J. Jerlin Anika (deaf badminton).

Dronacharya Award (for outstanding coaches, ₹15 lakh each): Regular Category: Jiwanjot Singh Teja (archery), Mohammad Ali Qamar (boxing), Suma Shirur (para shooting) and Sujeet Maan (wrestling). **Lifetime category:** Dinesh Lad (cricket), Bimal Ghosh (football) and Raj Singh (wrestling).

Dhyan Chand Award (for lifetime achievement, ₹10 lakh each): Ashwini Akkunji (athletics), Dharamvir Singh (hockey), B.C. Suresh (kabaddi) and Nir Bahadur Gurung (para athletics).

Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar: TransStadia Enterprises Private Limited, Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology and Ladakh Ski & Snowboard Association.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy: Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

Deepika breaks under-18 National javelin record

JR. NATL. ATHLETICS

Sports Bureau

Haryana's Deepika produced an Asia-leading under-18 girls' javelin throw while winning the gold in the 37th National junior athletics championships in Guwahati on Monday. The 16-year-old bettered her own National record with a best of 53.36m.

K.A. Anamika (U-20 heptathlon).

The results (winners only): Men: Under 20: Long jump: Amitra Ghosh (WB) 7.55m; **4x100m relay:** Odisha (41.31s). **Boys: Under-18: High jump:** Deepanshu (Har) 1.99m; **shot put:** Armandeep Singh (Pun) 18.78m; **10,000m race walk:** Aditya Negi (Utk) 42:44.93. **Under-16: Javelin:** Sanjay Vishnoi (Raj) 62.47m. **Under-14: Javelin:** Dhairya Alpeshbhai (Guj) 57.08m; **triathlon:** Anirban Adhikary (WB) 1813 pts. **Women: Under-20: 4x100m relay:** Tamil Nadu (49.01s); **triple jump:** Poorva Hitesh Sawant (Mah) 12.98m; **pole vault:** Rajni (Har) 3.30m; **heptathlon:** K.A. Anamika (Ker) 4387 pts; **mixed 4x400m relay:** Karnataka (3:33.10s). **Girls: Under-18: shot put:** Vidhi (UP) 16.56m NR, OR 15.99; **javelin:** Deepika (Har) 53.36m (NR, OR 51.84); **heptathlon:** Pavana Nagaraj (Kar) 4547 pts. **Under-16: 3000m race walk:** Khushbu Yadav (Raj) 15:12.76s; **hexathlon:** Eva Manoj (Mah) 3094 pts. **Under-14: Shot put:** Divjot Kaur (Pun) 14.29m (NR, OR 14.25); **javelin**: Tejaswani Dhal (Odi) 33.60m; **triathlon:** Komal (Har) 1623 pts.

Three more gold medals for India

ASIAN AIRGUN

Sports Bureau

It was another memorable day for India as it won three gold medals in the Asian Airgun championship in Daegu, Korea, on Monday.

Mehuli Ghosh and Arjun Babuta beat the second Indian team of Elavenil Valarivan and Kiran Jadhav 16-10 for the mixed air rifle gold.

Same story

It was the same story in the junior mixed air rifle team event as Divyansh Singh Panwar and Ramita Jindal beat Nancy and Sri Karthik Sabari Raj 17-11 to take the honours.

In the youth men's air pistol, Sandeep Bishnoi beat Venjamin Nikitin of Uzbekistan 16-8 for the top prize.

However, in the youth women's air pistol event, Kanishka Dagar won bronze medal behind two Koreans.

The results: Air pistol: Youth: Men: 1. Sandeep Bishnoi 16 (251.7) 569, 2. Veniamin Nikitin (Uzb) 8 (248.6) 573, 3. Kim Dongbin (Kor) 247.5 (575); 4. Sahil 247.4 (578); 7. Amit Sharma 146.1 (573).

Women: 1. Oh Ye Jin (Kor) 17 (250.5) 566, 2. Kim Yeonwoo (Kor) 9 (246.2) 568, 3. Kanishka Dagar 239.6 (564); 4. Yashasvi Joshi 239.3 (564); 6. Harmandeep Kaur 191.2 (560).

Air rifle: Mixed team: 1. India (Mehuli Ghosh, Arjun Babuta) 16 (631.0), 2. India-2 (Elavenil Valarivan, Kiran Jadhav) 10 (630.9), 3. Korea 16 (627.7).

Mixed junior team: 1. India (Divyansh Singh Panwar, Ramita Jindal) 17 (628.9), 2. India-2 (Nancy, Sri Karthik Sabari Raj) 11 (629.9), 3. Korea-2 16 (626.8).

10 Olympians elected as members in IOA's Athletes Commission

Sports Bureau
NEW DELHI

A total of 10 Olympians, including medallists P.V. Sindhu, Gagan Narang, Mary Kom and Mirabai Chanu, were elected unopposed as members of the Athletes Commission of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) at the Nehru Stadium here on Monday.

With 36 national federations nominating one male and one female athlete as the electoral college, there were 42 nominations for election to the 10 slots.

The Returning Officer Umesh Sinha eventually had only 10 names as the rest withdrew their nominations within the specified time. These 10 will choose a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among themselves on Tuesday.

New beginning: New members of the IOA Athletes Commission Shiva Keshavan, P.V. Sindhu, Sharath Kamal and Gagan Narang, in New Delhi on Monday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Former World and Olympic shooting champion Abhinav Bindra and former hockey captain Sardara Singh will also be part of the Athletes Commission as ex-officio members, for being members of the Athletes Commission of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) respectively.

The next main task of the Athletes Commission will be to choose eight sportspersons of outstanding merit (SOM) for which the applications will close at 4 p.m. on November 15.

The eight SOMs, along with the chairperson and vice-chairperson of the Athletes Commission, will be part of the electoral college of the IOA election scheduled on December 10.

The IOA Executive Council, as per its amended constitution, will have a president, a senior vice-president, two vice-presidents, a treasurer, two joint secretaries, six Executive Council members including one male and one female sportspersons of outstanding merit, and two more representatives from the Athletes Commission.

IOC member Nita Ambani will be an ex-officio member of the Executive Council with a right to vote.

The Athletes Commission of the IOA: Men: Om Prakash Karhana, Shiva Keshavan, Gagan Narang, Bajrang Lal, Sharath Kamal.
Women: P.V. Sindhu, M.C. Mary Kom, Bhavani Devi, Rani Rampal, Mirabai Chanu.

Anand, Vishnu prepare for historic RFC Grand Final

The duo becomes the first rally team from India to participate in their own vehicle; Anand skipped this year's RFC Challenge in order to get the papers ready to ship his vehicle to Malaysia

MOTORSPORTS

M.R. Praveen Chandran
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Raring to go: Anand Manjooran and co-driver Vishnu Raj were the first runners-up in RFC 2021 and RFC 2019 and had earned the right to participate in the Grand Final. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The rough and tough terrain of Malaysia beckons Anand Manjooran and co-driver Vishnu Raj, who have created a bit of history by becoming the first rally team from India to participate in the Grand Final of RFC in their own vehicle.

Anand and Vishnu of KTM Jeepers, the Kottayam based rally team, were the first runners-up in RFC 2021 and RFC 2019 and had earned the right to participate in the RFC Grand Final which will begin in Malaysia on November 27. After a long drawn paper work which took more than six months, Anand was finally able to ship his 1.6 litre petrol Maruti Gypsy jeep to Malaysia last week.

Anand skipped this year's RFC Challenge in order to get the papers ready for his participation in the Grand final.

Hurdle

"The biggest hurdle was getting the vehicle cleared by customs. Since it is a modified vehicle, the Kochi Customs people weren't familiar with the rules and regulations. Moreover, we needed a lot of approvals from the Central and State Government authorities. It took me nearly six months to get the necessary clearances and I was finally able to ship the vehicle last week.

"But I still need to get the final clearance from Malaysian Customs to participate in the rally. It is the long documentation work which has prevented many of the RFC India winners from participating in the Grand Final. I could have hired a vehicle in Malaysia but I was keen to drive my own vehicle in the 25th edition and my aim is to keep the Indian flag flying high," said Anand.

"It is one of the toughest off-road events in the World. I will be entering unknown territory as the terrain will be different from what I have driven in India.

" I heard that most of the tracks are slushy and there will be twilight stages which may take up to 48 hours to finish. It will be a tough challenge for me and for the vehicle," said Anand, who has been off-roading since 2008.

Anand, who has been driving the Gypsy for the last five years, has made some modifications to the vehicle and is hopeful that it will stand the rigours of tough terrain in Malaysia.

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> ANAND

"I would have loved to have a bigger and powerful petrol engine but it is difficult to get such engines here in India. So I upgraded the winches and made a few changes to the suspension. I hope the Jeep will not fail me in Malaysia," said Anand.

Srikanth pulls out; Sameer and Mithun in the fray

Sameer. FILE PHOTO: AP

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Press Trust of India
SYDNEY

K. Srikanth has pulled out of the Australian Open Super 300 badminton tournament beginning here on Tuesday.

Placed No. 10 in the Race to Guanzhou rankings, Srikanth needed to win the tournament to have any hopes of qualifying for the season-ending World Tour Final in December.

His withdrawal means H.S. Prannoy will be the only Indian at the World Tour Finals.

India's challenge will be led by Sameer Verma, who is coming back from a long injury lay-off. He will open against Nathan Tang. Mithun Manjunath will meet second seed Loh Kean Yew of Singapore. In women's singles, Tanya Hemanth will be up against Goh Jin Wei of Malaysia and Anwesha Gowda will play local Pitchaya Elysia Viravong.

Get set go: The drivers of the six City-based teams alongside Akhilesh Reddy, Chairman, RPPL. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Inaugural race of Indian Racing League on Nov. 19

S. Dipak Ragav
CHENNAI

Three years ago the X1 Racing League tried to start a franchise-based motorsports league but faced teething issues over the two weekends it raced before the pandemic halted further editions of the league.

Now renamed the Indian Racing League, it is back with a new car and hopefully with more stability with a new majority owner, in Racing Promotions Private Limited.

Pre-season testing

The series had pre-season testing here at the Madras International Circuit on Monday with all drivers having a go in the cars.

The league kicks off next weekend on November 19 at the Hyderabad street circuit before coming to Chennai for two rounds followed by the final weekend in Hyderabad.

The inaugural race in Hyderabad will also serve as a good trial run for the track ahead of the inaugural FIA Formula E race to be held in the city in February 2023.

Six teams

The series will see six city-based teams with four drivers racing including one woman driver in each team. The league has managed to get 12 international racing drivers including six women.

The cars are operated by Italian car manufacturer Wolff Racing Team and the series is likely to feature two sprint races and a feature race during a race weekend.

In a big boost to the series, *Star Sports 2* will show all the races live across the four weekends.

The Chennai franchise - Chennai Turbo Riders - is owned by the Accord Group and Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research. The other teams are Speed Demons Delhi, Bangalore Speedsters, Hyderabad Blackbirds, GodSpeed Kochi and Goa Aces.

Speaking to the media on Monday, Akhilesh Reddy, Chairman, RPPL (Racing Promotions Pvt Ltd) said, "The Indian Racing league is a push to bring the Indian motorsports segment to a global stage and provide young racers with a platform to compete with international motorsports drivers. "We want to show that Indian drivers can compete with the international guys."

Ravindra Jadeja set to don Super Kings jersey again in the upcoming season

IPL

S. Dinakar
CHENNAI

With Tuesday being the last day for IPL franchises to declare the players they want to retain - this will also reveal the cricketers they are releasing from the squad - much focus is on the influential all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja's continuation with the Chennai Super Kings.

There were whispers that the 33-year-old Jadeja was unhappy with CSK after he was named captain of the team last season only to be removed from the top job as the competition progressed; the franchise's talismanic M.S. Dhoni held the reins once again.

But then, *The Hindu* has learnt from its sources that Jadeja will not be released from the squad and will turn out for CSK in the coming season.

A CSK source said, "There has been a lot of speculation in the media. But Jadeja has not spoken about anything to us. He will be playing for us in the coming season."

Quashing rumours: The influential Jadeja is set to continue his journey with the yellow brigade. FILE PHOTO

Key player

Jadeja, who missed the T20 World Cup with a knee injury, is a key player for CSK with his all-round ability that lends depth and balance to the side; he is two players in one and a gun fielder.

A left-handed stroke-maker in the middle-order he can decimate attacks - some of his onslaughts in the IPL have been breathtaking.

And Jadeja's left-arm spin, bowled with control, enables him to contain and strike.

Game-changer

His parsimonious bowling in the middle-overs has altered the course of matches.

Among the finest fielders in world cricket, Jadeja can swing games with a brilliant act of athleticism.

With 3169 runs in 292 T20 matches at a strike-rate of 128.50, 194 wickets at an economy rate of 7.56, and often spectacular fielding, Jadeja is worth his weight in gold.

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> CSK SOURCE

And this game-changer will be turning out for CSK in the coming season.

Rashid to enrol for next month's auction; Billings opts out; Shardul moves to Knight Riders

Press Trust of India
MELBOURNE

Adil Rashid's game-changing performances in England's T20 World Cup-winning campaign could certainly make him hot property at the IPL auction in Kochi on December 23.

Rashid, who literally choked India and Pakistan in the semifinal and final with high profile scalps like Suryakumar Yadav and Babar Azam, could once again be seen in an IPL team jersey after his stint with Punjab Kings.

"Yes, I will be putting up my name in IPL auctions this time," Rashid told PTI after the World Cup final on Sunday. When asked if he has been in talks with any team, he replied in the negative.

While Rashid might have claimed only four wickets in six games, he finished his full quota of overs in all games at an economy rate of 6.12.

And, what could interest franchisees is the pace at which he bowled, potentially making him more effective than ever on the tracks in Kolkata, Chennai or Hyderabad.

Rashid's England teammate Sam Billings declared on Monday he was opting out of the IPL to focus on the longer format of the game.

The wicketkeeper-batter played eight games for Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) earlier this year, scoring 169 runs an an average of 24.14.

"Have taken the tough decision that I won't be taking part in the next IPL. Looking to focus on longer format cricket at the start of the English summer with @kentcricket," Billings tweeted. "Thank you so much for the opportunity @kkriders ! Loved every minute of it. An amazing franchise with some brilliant people. Hopefully see you again in the future."

Meanwhile, Kolkata Knight Riders has acquired the services of Shardul Thakur from Delhi Capitals for the upcoming season, as reported by ESPNCricinfo. The trade was finalised on Monday.

Back in the mix: Rashid could once again be seen in an IPL team jersey after his stint with Punjab Kings.AFP

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Karnataka can host an international: AIFF president

The All India Football Federation (AIFF) president Kalyan Chaubey, on Monday, said there was no reason why international football could not return to Karnataka. Bengaluru hasn't hosted a National team match in over five years.

"I can give assurance that if Karnataka is ready to host any national team games, FIFA friendlies – senior or age group, men or women – they can host," he said. Chaubey, who took over as president in early September, was in the city for a felicitation function organised by the Karnataka State Football Association (KSFA). He also met the AIFF vice-president and KSFA chief N.A. Haris.

Muzeeb nets four

Shaik Muzeeb scored four goals to power MEG & Centre FC to a 5-0 win over Young Challengers FC in the BDFA Super Division football league here on Monday.

The results: Kickstart FC 3 (Abhishek Shankar 6, 35, Solaimalai 42) bt Agniputra FC 0; MEG & Center FC 5 (Shaik Muzeeb 19, 29, 43, 78, K.P. Kiran 56) bt Young Challengers FC 0; Thanco's Students Union FC 3 (Palash Barber 9, Jay Kanani 27, Lindsay Henderson 31) bt Bangalore Eagles FC 1 (Amit Verma 41).

Suffiyan advances

Suffiyan Ahmed defeated K.S. Suriya 50-72, 57-9, 64-55, 47-17 in the third round of the State ranking senior men's snooker tournament here.

Vivek slots in five for Germanite

Vivek Uthappa slammed five goals in Germanite HC's easy win over Anglo Indian HC in the KSHA 'C' Division hockey league championship here.

The results: Decathlon Hockey 2 (Ashik Uthappa 6, Nikhil 32) bt Garuda HC 0; Germanite HC 8 (Vivek Uthappa 1, 4, 29, 40, 46, Karan 14, Ganesha Manjunath 30, Mark 41) bt Anglo Indian HC 2 (Shelton 21, Mark Fernandez 33).

South Africa recalls Theunis de Bruyn

Agence France-Presse
JOHANNESBURG

Batsman Theunis de Bruyn has been recalled to the South African squad for a three-Test tour of Australia in December and January, Cricket South Africa (CSA) announced on Monday.

The 30-year-old played in 12 Tests between 2017 and 2019. He scored a century against Sri Lanka in Colombo in 2018 but failed to reach fifty in 22 other innings.

His recall and the inclusion of wicketkeeper-batsman Heinrich Klaasen, 31, add maturity to a fragile batting order. Klaasen has only played in one Test but has an average of 45.30 in 80 First Class matches and has played in 30 ODIs and 38 T20Is.

The squad: Dean Elgar (Capt.), Temba Bavuma, Gerald Coetzee, Theunis de Bruyn, Sarel Erwee, Simon Harmer, Marco Jansen, Heinrich Klaasen (wk), Keshav Maharaj, Lungi Ngidi, Anrich Nortje, Kagiso Rabada, Glenton Stuurman, Rassie van der Dussen, Kyle Verreynne (wk) and Khaya Zondo.

The fixtures: December 9-12: vs CA XI, Brisbane; **Dec. 17-21:** First Test, Brisbane; **Dec. 26-30:** Second Test, Melbourne; **Jan. 4-8:** Third Test, Sydney.

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